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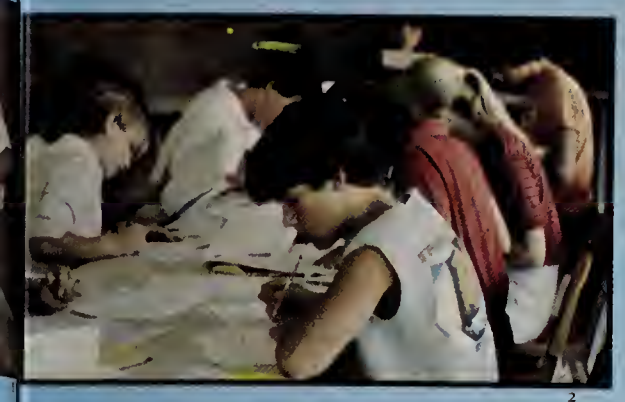
The Future

Rushing into the self-scheduling area to get classes before they fill up. Signing computer cards. Checking the blackboards for closed classes. Then sitting in commons or heading to Mac's with friends — just to relax. You've done it all before, but this time something's different. You're a senior and the frustrations of self-scheduling don't bother you. You're on the top. This is the year you've been waiting for. This is your year and The Future Is Now.

"It feels different being a senior. The little people look up to you and ask a lot of questions. This year should be super!"

Lisa Moucha



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Standing guard at the entrance to the scheduling area is special education teacher, John Carrick (1). ***After showing*** their registration forms with the correct time, students such as Tracey Egan and Steve Bock (2) were permitted to schedule. ***Seniors Tim Doyle***, Pat Boehnen, and Pete Effinger (3) enjoy the relaxation that accompanies scheduling as seniors. ***Welcoming the teachers*** back to school with a free car wash are freshmen student council members Joe Ebner, Michelle Kruggel, and Melissa Schultz (4). ***Puzzling over*** a possible scheduling conflict is Senior Tor Dietrichs (5). ***Lynette Holt*** (6) gathers her computer cards and is off to get another class. "I had to rearrange my schedule three times because Econ was closed. It was really frustrating especially because I didn't have the experience of scheduling my sophomore year." ***John Jeandrevin***, Joe Brown, Barbi Davis, Carol Czajka, Frank Cureton and Chris Croucher (7), line up for one of the more popular classes.

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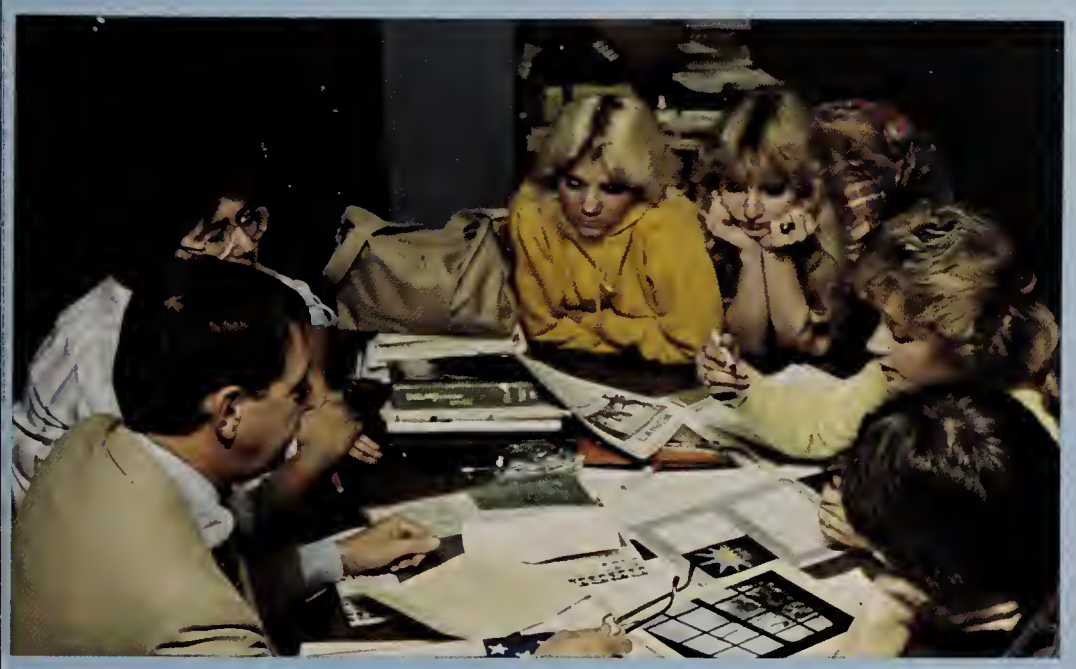
Life Waiting

It seems the biggest part of a teenager's life is waiting. Sweet Sixteen. Driver's License. First Date. Varsity Sports and being Captain of the team. Prom. Commons. Class Rank and Graduation. For the Class of 1984, the waiting is over and The Future Is Now.



A student's life consists of many things, most of which revolve around school and school sponsored events. So whether you're a member of the football team at the Homecoming pep rally or a group of tired juniors at the mock convention your life at school consists of memories of many different events. *School life can* be working for your class like senior Pat Boehnen who donates his time and skill to help construct the senior float, or doing classwork like yearbook editors Jim Shields and Jennifer Chidsey who meet with yearbook rep Mr. John Urian and adviser Miss Linda Ocepek to discuss possible cover designs. Community section editors Nancy Smith and Wendy Neal look on. *If you're involved* with the stage, life consists of rehearsing to perfect the wedding scene in the fall play. Or maybe it was perfecting another type of change like Scott Sanford and Bill Graham who portray candidate Walter Mondale and Pope John Paul. *Maybe the most important* part of life is knowing where you stand, being able to express your feelings. Junior Dave Wagner makes his feelings about the draft known at the mock convention.

Scary Predictions Hit Too Close To Home In 1984

When George Orwell wrote his book *1984* in 1948, he foresaw a dark and dismal world that had become a total police state, in which the government was always right. All in all, he made a total of 127 predictions and of these 127, over 100 have come true.

For example, he predicted that people would no longer have any private lives, that computers would know everything there was to know about a person. To date, the average person is listed on at least 39 private computers and 40 corporate ones, and the personal computer may soon become standard equipment in every home.

Another invention Orwell predicted which would be standard in every home was the video screen. It both spied on people and provided them with information. Fortunately for us television has not yet become a periscope into our homes, but many people would argue that its influence has taken on many aspects of Big Brotherism. With the addition of as many as 178 cable channels throughout the world, television may become even more of an influence in the coming years.

Big Brother Nate Krans is watching you! (B)

Television, along with other mass media such as radio, newspapers, and magazines, has almost completely taken over in the 1980's. Chemistry teacher T.J. Alexander observes, "When Mass Media gets hold of any kind of information, they totally blow it out of proportion. Whatever happened to the silent majority? We need them ***now***, to come out of the woodwork and take control of the nation again. The United States has a great need for a new public hero, someone we haven't had in a long time. When the new 23¢ stamp comes out, I wouldn't be surprised if either Jane Fonda or Dr. Spock are on it!"

What would George Orwell say about the world today? He would not be surprised by the world's great stockpile of nuclear weapons because he predicted that in his novel as well. Our politicians also have helped Orwell's predictions come true with their own modern version of Doublespeak, where war is peace and love is hate and no one can tell the difference.

If all of these changes could happen in the past 35 years, what will the world be like in the next 35 years? Will the world become a totally computerized place, with robots in charge of our lives, or worse yet, will there even be a world in the year 2019? Only time will tell.

"I think that computers can do many more things than they are being used for now. The possibilities for use in schools are very great. They are now being used to make tests and help math students with problems and exercises when they are used to their full potential.
Soon the teachers may not even be needed. Computers in the future will be used for most jobs that are tedious or repetitive and will contribute to many things as the technology of the country increases." — Chad Miller (pictured at the computer) (A)

Punk haircuts, perhaps the "wave" of the future, are already worn by some students like junior Jenni Penton. (A)

Although juniors Amy Ingraham, Lori Marchiano and Crystal Williams will not be old enough to vote in the 1984 elections, they gained valuable experience with democracy in action through their work in the Democratic Mock Convention. (A)

"While the book (1984) has been on the shelves as fiction, it is now on the shelves as fact. Any of his predictions could be happening today. Instead of going towards unity, we are moving towards disunity. People's rights are being infringed upon more than ever — the government could know all."
J. Valentine, Civics Teacher

Science Fiction would have never been studied in 1948 when George Orwell first wrote his book. Today Science Fiction students from Mr. Dave Kelley's class receive English credit for reading about the future. According to Mr. Kelley, *1984* is a scary reality. He said, "Unfortunately, the death of the individual is well underway. Consider the Soviet Union. Computers, modern surveillence techniques and society's demand for order have accelerated our plunge into Orwell's nightmare world." (A)

Gutenburg would have been amazed by the Compugraphic ACM 9000. The giant typesetter impressed Journalistic Writing students Sean Haney, Kimberly Beyman, and Lisa Argiry as they practiced on it for the first time. (A)

Looking Fine At 109

1984 will mark the 109th commencement held in a Medina Senior High School. It also marks the tenth birthday for this specific building.

The present building was first opened to the public on April 21, 1974 and to the students the following Monday. The three section, 2000 person capacity building consists of a two story academic wing, a two level gymnasium and an art and music wing.

The move to the new building had to be made in the middle of the school year. The fact that there were 1500 people crammed into a school originally built to accommodate 1000 students was reason enough for everyone to want the move, but there were also split schedules to contend with. According to Principal Augie Rios, seniors were in school from 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., juniors and sophomores from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and freshmen from noon until 5 p.m.

Switching from the old high school to the new was not uneventful. The huge school safe had to be moved from one building to the other. This was accomplished by placing the safe on a dolly and, complete with a police escort, wheeling it right down the middle of Union Street. Mrs. Dorothy Elrick, head of the English department, remembers the little mouse that moved in with her and left its calling card on her desk. When asked if she would ever want to return to the other building, she said, "No, I would not go back to the old school permanently. However, I do get sentimental on extremely hot/stuffy days when I remember that my room had — believe it or not — windows that opened. Even though a few bees and flies flew in, so did fresh air and a breeze."

Mr. Mike Davanzo and Mr. Rollie Platz remembered how the library was moved. "Students took arm loads of books, and sat in a certain order on a school bus. Then they carried the books into the new library in the same order and placed them on the shelves," said Mr. Platz.

After the move the math department found itself

The first public high school erected in Medina was the Lincoln Building (far left), completed in 1872, it was used as both a grade school and a high school. It stood at the corner of South Broadway and East Smith Road, on the present site of the Garfield Elementary School. At that time the Lincoln Building had a capacity of 400 students.

In 1923 a new high school was erected to accommodate the ever increasing number of students in Medina, which then totaled about 800. This building is now the County Administration Building on the corner of North Broadway and East Friendship Street (top left).

In 1956, during the superintendency of Mr. Sidney M. Fenn, the high school classes were moved to 420 East Union Street, where Mr. Howard Chappell was the first principal. The cost of this building, which housed 1600 students, was $1,195,173.11. Today this building is the Howard Junior High School (bottom left).

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quite popular because Mr. Gene Haas (math teacher who retired in 1977) brought all of the pencil sharpeners with him. This proved to be fortunate remembers Miss Marilyn Cross, math department head, "because no one had remembered to put any in here." Miss Cross also remembers that the switch to turn the lights on and off in the cafeteria was located in the music (choral) room.

Today this building houses 325 seniors, 402 juniors, 367 sophomores, and 414 freshmen. After a decade of hard student use, the building still remains in good shape. Replacement carpeting was added to the cafeteria this fall and walls were put up in the open science rooms to cut down on noise traveling from room to room.

Mr. Rios has been pleased with the way the high school has been utilized in the past ten years. "The expanded facilities in this building have allowed us to present a full program. In particular, the new auditorium has been a real plus," he said.

The newest addition to Medina Senior High School, is the $720,000 stadium, named after Mr. Kenneth Dukes. A new stadium was deemed necessary in order to enable the sports department to grow along with the school itself.

Fundraising

Bringing In The Bucks

Buy your sweetheart a flower. Please donate — the class with the most wins. Buy yours now . . . will be holding a rock-a-thon to benefit . . .

You've heard the announcements and read the posters that continually decorate the halls. Fundraising, either to benefit the school or the community, is a big part of everyday life at MHS.

Many of the most well-known fundraisers fall into the category of Athons. Runathon, Bananathon, Liftathon, Dramathon and Rockathon are all held annually. Key Club's runathon and bananathon are held to raise money for community service. Karl Fennell, lieutenant governor commented, "All the guys worked really hard for a good cause. That really says something about Medina students."

Liftathon, originally held to replenish funds for the athletic department, now supplies the Ken Dukes Memorial Scholarship Fund, which awards $1000 annually. Also raising money for a scholarship as well as the oncology department at Medina Community Hospital was the rockathon sponsored by ACT club. "The participation was not as great as it could have been, but I think what we raised it for was worthwhile." stated member Jenny Coyle.

To raise money for new equipment, Drama Club held its Dramathon in the gazebo uptown. Featuring skits, acts, dramatic readings, and song and dance routines for a full 24 hours, the project raised $500. "Dramathon gives people the chance to perform — talent or no talent." said Drama Club board member Leigh Ann Lethco.

Sue Blair

Although Athons are the most publicized money makers, they are not the only fundraisers by far. The Junior Class spends the entire year raising money for prom and banquet. This year the major project was a candle sale. The band raises money by selling candy and other edibles to help defray the costs of band membership while other groups like the foreign language clubs raise money to take trips to Spain, France, and New York over spring break.

Most fundraisers are well received and supported by the students. They don't seem to mind giving time and money to a good cause. "I think fundraisers are great. It's important for the school clubs to do things for others, whether it be people in the school or the community. When you weigh the benefits, the time and money are very worthwhile." summed up sophomore Kristy Brewer.

Student Council members Carolyn Cody and Joe Ebner paint one of the levy signs that was displayed in front of each school during the successful levy campaign in the fall. ***Freshman Class President*** Michelle Swank and Student Council President Jennifer Chidsey proudly display the award given to the school for the $419 raised during Homecoming Spirit Week for the United Way. The freshman class donated the largest amount which was over $190. ***Showing a little leg*** during the Dramathon are Ron Smudz and Rod Wingfield. This act, based on a Little Rascals skit was one of the many to entertain passersby.

Donna Payne and Kurt Gibson give their version of *Arsenic and Old Lace* during the Dramathon. ***Catching their breath*** after a two mile run are Rob Roper and Mark Dennison. ***Daneen Krajewski*** and Kristina Jones collect donations for the levy fund. The students efforts were successful when the levy passed with 51% of the vote. ***Senior and Junior*** yearbook staff members Mike Chesney and Mike Blakslee pass out cans of orange crush and root beer for the yearbook's Halloween fundraiser.

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Kristy Brewer

"If it's going to hit, I want to be one of the one's hit first. I don't want to be around for 'the day after'."

Worries Range From Serious Wars To Trivial Dolls

Everyone worries now and then about whether they will make it to school on time, whether they will have a date for Saturday night and even sometimes (though not too often) if their homework is finished. Although these are trivial concerns, they aren't necessarily all that high school students worry about. Their troubles range from something as serious as the threat of nuclear war to the frantic search for a cabbage patch doll. Much of the nuclear war worry was generated by the T.V. special ***The Day After*** which explored the effects of a nuclear explosion. The show realistically portrayed the destruction that a nuclear bomb would cause, and sparked national controversy about the peace movement and nuclear freeze.

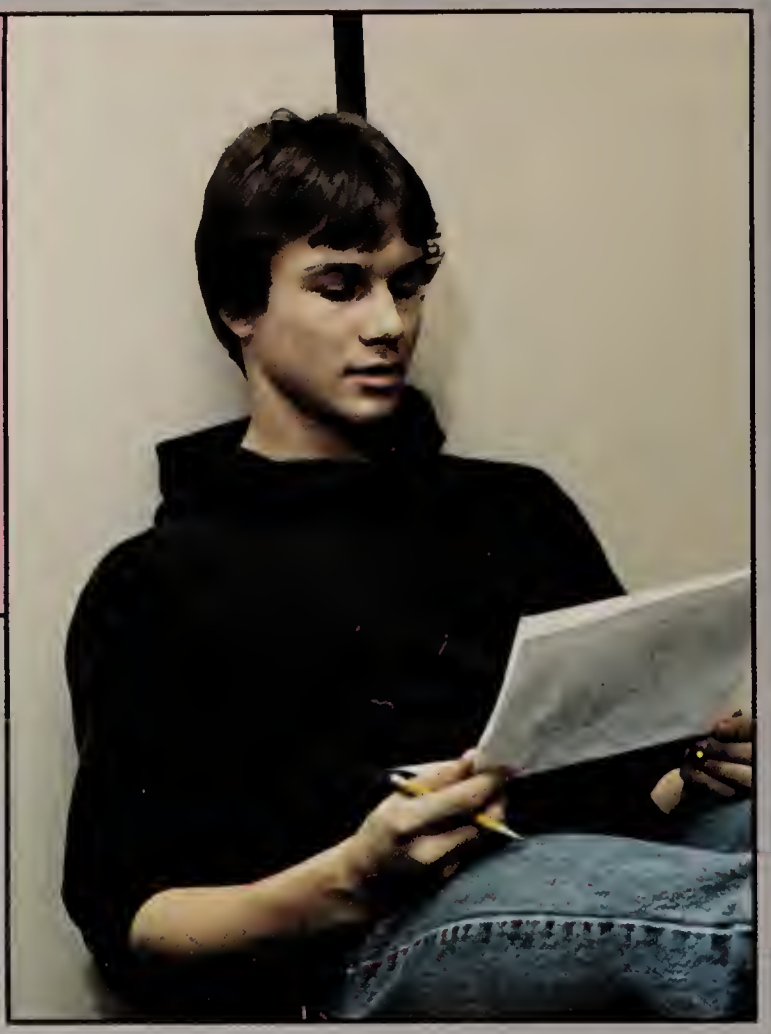
Unemployment also troubled many teenagers and their parents. Senior Monica Miller summed up everyone's frustrations about getting a job by saying "when I went out to look for a job I applied at 6 or 7 places, but they didn't need me anywhere."

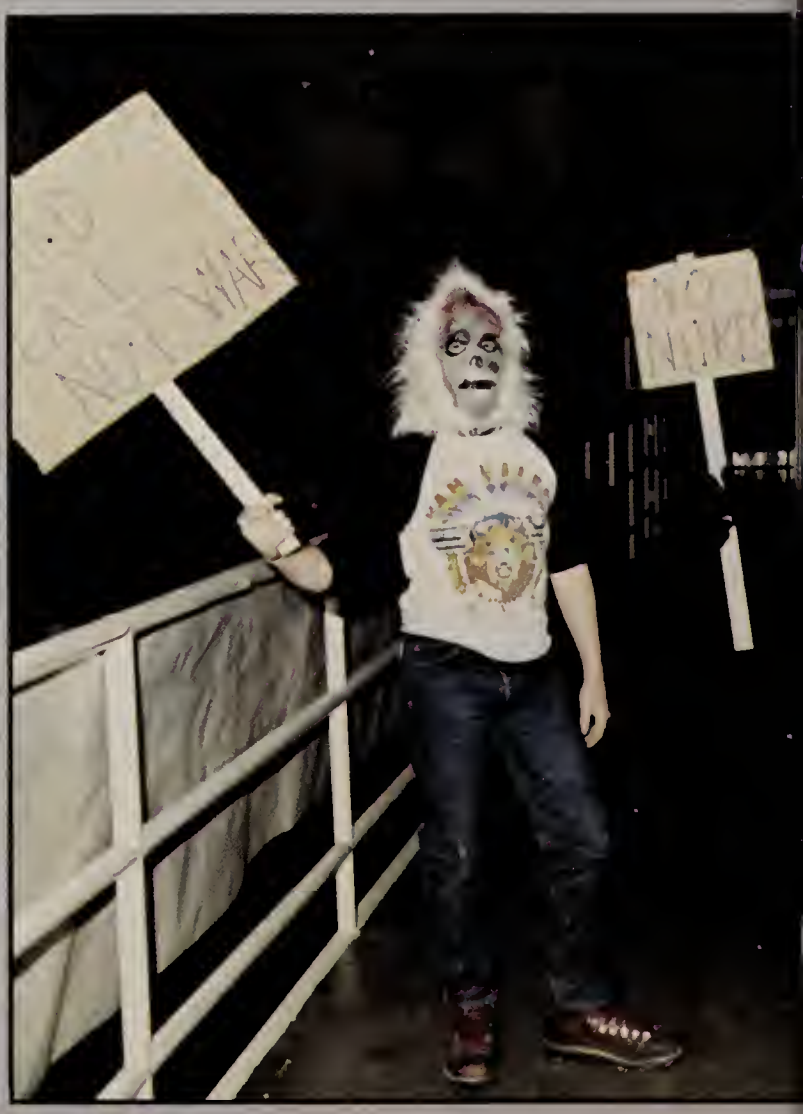
Eighteen-year-olds have even more worries than the average high school student. Having to register for the draft and the possibility of going to war are something that is uppermost in all seniors' minds. However, senior Jim Cleary seems to have a somewhat different opinion: "I don't mind having to register for the draft and I really don't worry about having to go and fight, though I would be proud to fight for the United States."

World-wide problems are on everyone's mind, too. — Lebanon, Grenada, and the nuclear arms build up, just to name a few. According to Miss Jane Watt, french teacher, "the nuclear arms build up really concerns me. The more we have, the more likely it is that something will happen, either intentionally or accidentally."

Not everyone was worried about such serious topics though in 1983. Some people went crazy over the arrival of the Cabbage Patch Kids. These little dolls are so unique and difficult to get that during the shopping rush before Christmas, a doll that usually sold for $29.95 sometimes went for as much as $250. The reason for their colossal popularity is that no two of these dolls are exactly alike. And each one comes complete with his or her own adoption papers and their own name like Elena, Lila, or Sherry Isabelle.

Because of these problems, adults tend to ignore the constant pressures that teenagers endure every day. Even though their problems may seem petty, teens take on a lot more than what people usually think they do. Their minds aren't ***always*** filled with thoughts of the opposite sex and too many people seem to forget this.





Sophomore Dean States diligently tries to eliminate one of the worries of the average high school student, passing a history test. (A)

Clowning around at the mock convention, seniors Tracey Egan and Mike Swingle worried about the new presidential candidate, Jesse Jackson. (A)

Newest staff member of the Medinian, Elena Lila forgets all her deadline worries as she passes the afternoon talking on the phone. (A)

Members of Mr. Semenik's history classes protested the threat of nuclear war at the mock convention. (A)

The Day After showed a terrifying account of what nuclear war would be like and it is something people have to realize is someday going to happen. — John Notarianni

I think it's sad that countries can't solve their problems peacefully, but instead have to turn to nuclear war to solve them. — Leslie Kramer

Homecoming '83

Theme, Spirit Add Up To Fun

In contrast to last year's near disaster, this year's Homecoming was a great success. Students enjoyed the parade, had a great time at the bonfire, and although the football team lost, the floats stayed together.

Much of the enjoyment that resulted from Homecoming could be attributed to the hard work and constant effort put in by students who gave many spare hours to make Homecoming successful. "It was refreshing to see everyone having a good time. The image of the Medina youth was raised in the eyes of the community after last year's disasterous events." stated Homecoming chairman John Meier.

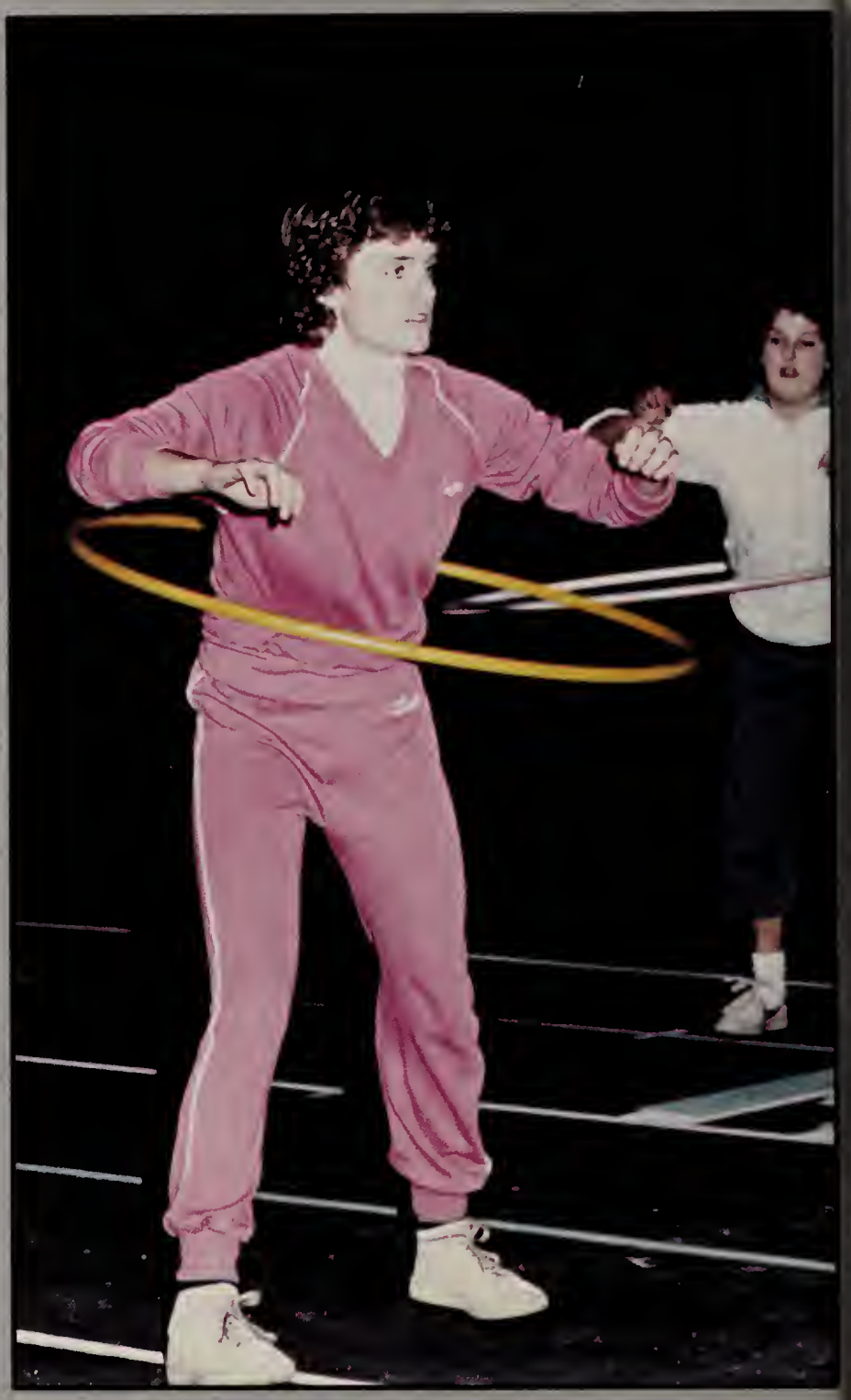
Since the theme of Homecoming revolved around the 1950's, many of the spirit week activities were geared towards that theme. A Chinese fire drill, hula-hoop contests, and a fifties dress-up day were only a few of the many events. Junior Susan Hoffman showed her appreciation of the week when she said, "Homecoming was excellent. I really enjoyed the theme. It was the best one in the last three years!"

A new competition between classes was to see which class could donate the most money to the United Way. "I thought the United Way contest was a good idea." said Bill Musolf and most students agreed with him.

Homecoming involved not only the juniors and and seniors, but the entire school. "All the classes, especially the underclasses, came away with really positive feelings which they normally don't get. The emphasis was on spirit week and did not single out juniors and seniors." stated Miss Jeanne Pritchard, student council adviser.

Brian Phillips, president of the sophomore class which won spirit week, was pleased by the efforts of his classmates. "Everyone seemed to want to be involved. That's what it took to make this Homecoming Week great!" he stated.

The teachers, too, were impressed at the way the week was handled. "It was very well organized. Everyone did a heck of a job," exclaimed Mr. Jim Houghtaling. Mr. Lindy McQuown summed up the week by saying, "It was the best Homecoming in the four years I have been here, because the whole school was united."



Sophomore Karyn Sands represents her class in the hula-hoop contest while sophomore Beth Van Hoose twists behind. The sophomores came in second behind the seniors under the expert ability of Barb Seiple who hooped for a total of 11 minutes. (E)

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Ken Wisniewski intently watches the Homecoming game in which the Bees suffered a heartbreaking 16-10 loss to Avon Lake. (F)

President of the sophomore class, Brian Phillips proudly displays the first place spirit week trophy to his victorious class. (F)

Juniors Dave Wagner (35) and Matt Obloy (16) offer their team encouragement from the sidelines. (G)

Donna Johnson, Heidi Muha, Eva Smietana, and Julie Shaffer, all members of the girls' cross country team, show their spirit along the parade route. This was the first year that all the fall sports teams got to ride in the parade. (E)

Inset-Varsity Soccer members Eric Whitnable, Chad Miller, and Kevin Whalen don bandanas created from the forbidden substance, toilet paper. Although authorities tried to collect it all prior to the parade, it still showed up in abundance to decorate both the square and the participants. (G)

Homecoming '83

New traditions still bring old-fashion fun and excitement.

"You lose some spirit by eliminating competition, but the school was brought closer together."

Ron Sency

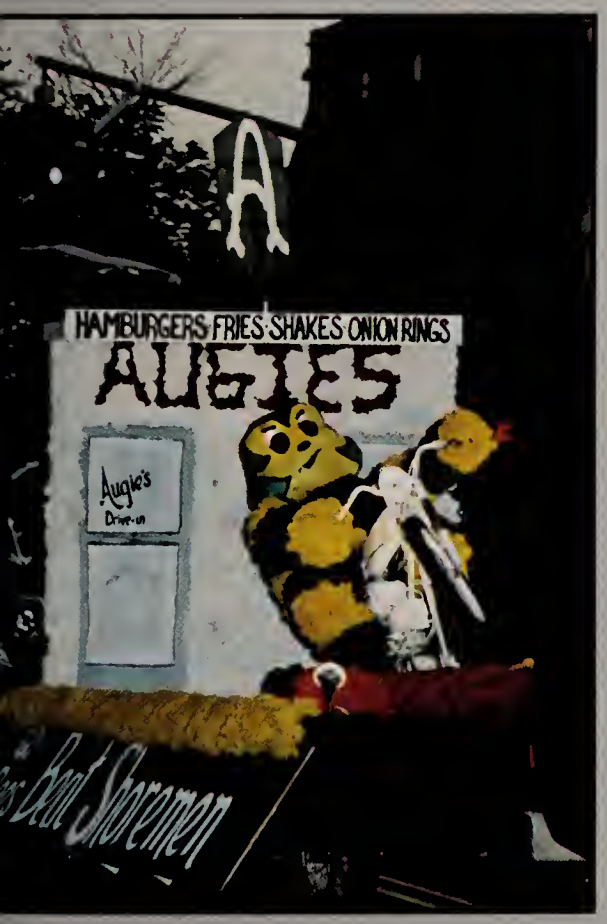
The junior float, which featured a car race that stopped the Shoremen, was just one of the many attractions in the Homecoming Parade. (E)

Candidates Leigh-Ann Lethco and Neica Lungaro wait in their convertible for the start of the parade through town. (E)

Victory is reflected in the faces of these members of the sophomore class. The sophomores won spirit week with 107 points. Behind them were the juniors (102 points), the seniors (100 points), and the frosh (85 points).

Students gather around the bonfire at the close of the Thursday night pep rally. (C)

Senior Betsy Selmants and junior Scott Dix enter the Homecoming dance. Music was played by the local band Exodus. (E)



Even in the absence of float competition, the incentive was still there to build first-class floats. Here the senior float is pulled along the parade route. (E)

Beeliner Barb Seiple hula-hooped her way to a senior class victory in the hula-hoop contest. Barb hula-hooped for an extraordinary 11 minutes. (F)

Coach John Carrick and senior Sam Filler watch the progress of the Homecoming game against Avon Lake. Unfortunately the Shoremen got the best of the Bees 10-16. (F)

"Rock Around The Clock"

Without Competition

Float Fever Fades Away

Float competition was ruled out this year as a result of last year's float destruction. That there were even floats was a major accomplishment. A great deal of work and compromises between the students and the teaching staff went into allowing floats to be built.

Senior class president Jim Shields and Student Council president Jennifer Chidsey especially worked hard to get the floats. They spent many hours seeking the mutual agreement which was finally approved. "If it wasn't for Jim and Jennifer, we wouldn't have had float," stated junior class adviser Miss Linda Ocepek.

Motivation, however, seemed to be missing without competition. Most students felt that it as unfair to be punished for a previous class' mistakes. "There should be competition for it helps to motivate you to build a better float. Just because one class got out of hand does not mean that we all will," said junior Chris DeClemente. Senior Julie Kohanski added, "I feel sorry for the underclassmen who never got to have competition."

As to competition next year, the future is uncertain. This spring a committee will review how float went this year and then a decision will be made. Much rests upon how the student body behaves. As senior Merritt Jones said, "The seniors set a good example and it can only continue to get better. It all depends upon the seniors and their actions."

In spite of the float controversy by the pep rally on Thursday night, all the students were united. Jennifer Chidsey was named Queen and ruled over the football game on Friday night with her court of Tammy Nemetz, Zivana Jovanovic, Julie Kohanski, and Tracey Robinson.

Pictured at right are the candidates. ***Row 1:*** Katie Richardson, Julie Kohanski, Leigh-Ann Lethco, Amy Giovinazzo, Tammy Nemetz, Jenny Coyle, Jacquie Navratil. ***Row 2:*** Zivana Jovanovic, Tracey Robinson, Wendy Imig, Christy Davis, Mary Linda Cragar, Kristi Weygandt, Elizabeth Cypher, Jennifer Chidsey, and Neica Lungaro. (E)

Above: The cheerleaders united around the beehive to welcome the team to the field. (G) At the Homecoming dance students danced to the music of Exodus. Pictured are Mike Canfield, Amy Watko and others who attended the dance. (E)

The SWC Champion Girls' Tennis Team expressed their number one status during the parade. For the first time, every fall team sport was represented with a place in the parade. (E)

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Merritt Jones

Russ Land's barn served as the location for the junior float. With only eight days to build it, the juniors managed to complete it on time. Karlene Rodgers and Sue Gifford stuff flowers along the edge. (A)

Time slowed down and "everything seemed to move in slow motion" when Jennifer Chidsey heard her name announced as Queen. (E)

Doing the announcing honors was Student Council vice president John Meier who helped to coordinate all Homecoming Week activities. (E)

Mock Convention

Upon receiving the Democratic nomination for president, Jesse Jackson (Darryl Mason) is congratulated by chairman Jim Shields. (B) ***Above:*** Andy Perrea displays the latest in patriotic earrings at the convention.

Politics, Protest Combine To Elect Jesse, Jimmy

Demonstrators protesting the deployment of nuclear arms in Europe. The appearance of a Ku Klux Klan member. Signs proclaiming certain persons were associated with the Communist Party. Disputes over such problems as unemployment, inflation, foreign affairs, education, and the defense of the United States. Criticism toward the Republican Party and the nomination of the Reverend Jesse Jackson for president.

Do all of these things seem like what might have happened at the 1984 Democratic National Convention held in San Francisco? Perhaps some could have happened there, but these events actually took place at Medina High School's Mock Convention held November 15 and 16, 1983.

The primary function of the National Convention is to nominate presidential and vice presidential candidates, to draft the party platform, and to unify the party. The primary function of the mock convention was to help 11th grade American History students and 12th grade Civics students better understand the political system they study in class.

All juniors and seniors were involved with the mock convention with the majority being state delegates while others portrayed candidates or made up the officers of the convention. Students drew up the platform and campaigned and nominated the candidates. Civics teachers Mr. Jim Davis and Mr. Jim Valentine organized the convention. They felt that the convention was a good learning experience, because it gave students a practical first hand knowledge of politics.

The convention began with a Keynote address by Cleveland Councilman and former mayor Dennis Kucinich. Kucinich stressed the need to do something about the economy and unemployment and stated that, "The American citizen is looking for a leader to solve their economic problems."

The economy was just one of the issues debated when it came time to adopt the convention platform, which was drawn up by the candidates and platform chairpersons John Meier and Tracey Egan. Many students wanted things added, amended, or omitted from the platform, but finally after more than two hours, the platform was approved.

With the platform out of the way, the next order of business was to select a presidential candidate. Each candidate had another student give a nominating speech and another seconded the nomination. After each nomination was a demonstration where the band played, confetti was thrown, balloons were released, and supporters paraded around the convention carrying signs for their candidate.

After the nominations, the roll call of states began as state chairpersons cast votes for each candidate. When the first ballot was completed no candidate had received enough votes for the nomination, but Jesse Jackson and Ernest Hollings were the two main contenders for the nomination. A short break was taken in order to let the two front runners campaign for votes. On the second balloting one candidate did receive enough votes.

The convention grew silent as the vote totals were read and Jesse Jackson (portrayed by senior Darryl Mason) became the Democratic Mock Convention candidate for the presidency to the cheers of the assembled delegates. This same process began over for the vice presidential nomination which ended after two ballots with the nomination of Jimmy Carter, portrayed by Eric Krepp.

Overall, the mock convention had been a success. Much was accomplished and much was learned during the two day event. Students had seen first hand how politics in our country worked and at the same time, they had enjoyed not attending classes and being able to participate in something as unique as a national convention.

Although everyone was involved with some aspect of the convention, there were those who did more than others. These include the remaining candidates who were Zivana Jovanovic (George McGovern), John Crooks (George Wallace), Tim Hulvey (Reuben Askew), Matt Eaken (Ernest Hollings), Scott Elligott (Alan Cranston), Margie Kobak (John Glenn), Kristen Blair (Gary Hart), Jacquie Navratil (Edward Kennedy), and Scott Sanford (Walter Mondale).

Other officers included Jim Smolko, clerk; Christy Davis, rules committee head; Mary Linda Cragar, rules; and Nancy Smith and Trish Valentine, secretaries.

"Afterwards, I sometimes wondered if I should have taken lessons in crowd control instead of parliamentary procedure."

Jennifer Chidsey
Chairperson

"It was learning by doing in the truest sense of the words. Our political system is complex, but I feel everyone now better understands and appreciates it."

Jim Shields
Chairperson

Left: Ernest Hollings (Matt Eaken) canvasses the convention for support as Tracey Egan (above) interviews Keynote speaker Dennis Kucinich for a special edition of the ***Medinamite.*** (A)

The demonstration of Ernest Hollings had an unexpected visitor, draped in a white sheet, make an appearance. Tina Olson, an avid supporter of Hollings, tries to escort the visitor away. The appearance was meant to discredit Hollings and was instigated by supporters of an opposing candidate. (A)

Should foreign exchange students be allowed to vote at the convention? Bill Graham and Scott Sanford, who portrayed Walter Mondale, argue the matter with South African exchange student Linda Macun. Exchange students were eventually allowed to vote. (F)

Far left: To the tune of "In the Heartland," supporters of Gary Hart, who was portrayed by Kristin Blair, parade down the aisles of the convention after hearing the speech which nominated Hart for president. (B) ***Top:*** Whenever a dispute arose over how each delegate of a state cast his vote, a polling of each delegate could be requested by another delegation. Ken Wisniewski is seen here casting his vote for Jesse Jackson as fellow Indiana delegates wait their turn. (B) ***Center:*** The pep band, which played during demonstrations and breaks, strikes up another chorus of "Happy Days Are Here Again." (J) ***Bottom:*** During a break in the convention, Mr. Valentine, organizer of the convention, gives some advice to chairpersons Jennifer Chidsey and Jim Shields. (J)

Sue Gifford, junior, helps an Achievement Center youngster enjoy the annual Halloween party sponsored by the Youth Association for Retarded Citizens (YARC). (C)

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Chris Hughes, President
of Key Club

The 1983 Yearbook Staff proudly displays their Buckeye Award. The "Between the Lines" theme earned the ***Medinian*** 1085 points out of a possible 1200 in competition sponsored by the Great Lakes Interscholastic Press Association at BGSU in October. Pictured are (row 1) J. Coyle, J. Chidsey, N. Smith, W. Neal; (row 2) L. Ocepek, D. Giovinazzo, K. Hazelwood, L. Swain, J. Bailey, C. Czajka; (row 3) C. Davis, J. Shields. (C)

During the Homecoming Spirit Week, sponsored by Student Council, junior Chris Price participates in a Chinese Fire drill during lunch. Student Council is also responsible for Teacher Appreciation Week and numerous activities throughout the year.

Band member Fred Harrison enjoys a moment of relaxation at the Wadsworth competition. The band went on to capture second place. (E)

Concert Choir performs at the Southwest Area Choir Festival in Berea. After standing for over five hours that day, Amanda Garrett remembers, "My feet hurt."

Clubs & Organizations

Joining Hands To Serve Us All

The many clubs and organizations at Medina give the students the chance to join hands for a good cause and a lot of good times. Together they entertain, educate, and serve both the school and community. Michelle Wilson commented, "I feel clubs, like Drama Club, are great, because they allow students to become involved in the school and community."

Extracurricular activities are necessary for the formation of a well-balanced scholastic and social life. The various student organizations provide a change from the continuous strains of mental and physical exertion, and in doing so, broaden horizons. "The major reason I am in clubs, such as YARC, is because I get valuable experience," said Dorothy Johnston, YARC president.

Each club has a faculty adviser and students share the responsibilities of leadership with such positions as president, vice president, and often secretary and treasurer. Most clubs are school sponsored, such as the language clubs and some are statewide organizations such as Key Club. Student Council is an example of a nationally affiliated organization.

With so many varying activities there is a club to interest practically every student. Community service clubs raise money, volunteer time, adopt grandparents, and work with the retarded. Other clubs concentrate on providing entertainment and some more serious clubs, such as foreign languages, are class related. Clubs like Student Council allow students to become involved in leadership and AFS, the chance to meet friends from far away places.

Each club and organization, whatever the focus, plays a vital role in making MHS the all — around great high school it is. Donna Luffman commented, "I enjoy being a part of an organization. It helps me meet new people and still have fun with the old."

Junior Dave Niedzwiecki shows his spirit by finishing second for his class in the rocket popsicle eating contest. The contest was part of Student Council's Winter Spirit Week. (A)

Enjoying a first year success, the new musical organization, Men's Ensemble, performs as The Boys in the variety show Spice. (A)

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Kelly Rohrbaugh, along with other Home Ec Club members, prepared coffee, punch, and desserts for the faculty and members of the North Central Evaluating Team on the first day of the evaluation. (A)

"The best time that I had in Home Ec Club was when we went to visit the senior citizens and went bowling afterwards."

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Clubs & Organizations

Clubs Enhance Students' Lives

Three groups that participate in the school are the locker sisters, student of the month committee, and the Home Ec. club. Although many times their work goes unnoticed, these three groups are very active.

Locker sisters work to lift school spirit and the morale of the teams. Team members look forward to finding home-baked goodies and candy in their lockers each night before a game. By receiving these treats, the teams know that they have the support of the entire school. Locker sisters also gain a special satisfaction from knowing that they are supporting the team members in a special way.

Another hard-working organization is the student of the month committee. This group meets twice a month-once to choose the Medina student of the month, and another time to choose the county student of the month. At the county meeting, the Medina committee meets at the Joint Vocational School with students from other area schools. Mrs. Dorothy Elrick serves as the faculty adviser. Her responsibility is to offer a faculty point of view in the selection of the student of the month.

Another active group is the Home Ec. club. This organization holds many interesting activities such as field trips and a mother-daughter banquet. In order to fund these activities, the group sold cupcakes for Valentine's Day and popcorn balls at Christmas. In between selling, Home Ec. Club remained active by serving refreshments at the office for older adults and for the people from NCA. Officers this year were president Donna Payne, vice president Donna Galish, secretary-treasurer Kim Leckie, publicity directors Laura Swain and Lisa Argiry and points chairman Tracy Schwandt.

By being involved, these groups benefit the entire school. They help to enrich three of the most important aspects of high school — athletic, academic and social life. In doing so, they make high school more enjoyable and diverse.

Susan Hoffman enjoys a cookie at the Home Ec club reception for the people from the NCA. (A)

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Dr. Gibbs, portrayed by Eric Krepp, reasons with his disagreeable wife, portrayed by Donna Payne during "Our Town."

"Sometimes we have to laugh at our world just to keep sane."
Stage Manager, "Our Town"

Editor Webb (senior John Bailey) expresses his point of view to the young George Gibbs. (A)

Paperboy Joe Crowell, portrayed by freshman Brian Smudz, peddles the town newspaper each morning. (A)

Mrs. Soames, town gossip, cries, "What a beautiful marriage, what a marriage!" after the wedding of George Gibbs and Emily Webb. Mrs. Soames was convincingly portrayed by Julie Oberholtzer. (A)

Fall Play

Dan George Takes "Break A Leg" Literally

It was a bad break for Dan George and a big break for Doug McMarlin. It was the 1983 Drama Club Production of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town."

A fall at E.J. Thomas Hall in Akron left Dan George with a broken leg and wrist. This, in turn, left the understudy part of George Gibbs open to Doug McMarlin. Both actors expressed gratitude to director, Mr. Carl Skorepa.

"Unfortunately, Dan's fall opened the door to the stage for me," McMarlin said. George added, "I really appreciate the part of Banker Cartwright created by Mr. Skorepa; at least I was still a part of the play."

Grover's Corners, New Hampshire was brought to life through the talents of Rod Wingfield (Stage Manager), Donna Payne (Mrs. Gibbs), Eric Krepp (Doc Gibbs), Caroline DeWalt (Mrs. Webb), John Bailey (Editor Webb), Julie Oberholtzer (Mrs. Soames), and Doug McMarlin and Elizabeth Cypher as "the couple" of "Our Town", George and Emily.

Stage Manager (Rod Wingfield) was the catalyst of the production. His laid back, wholesome character introduced the geography and citizenry of "Our Town" to the audience. "I loved my part, because I felt very comfortable with it," Wingfield said. Wingfield made the audience relate to his down-to-earth character and appreciate New England accent.

Over a period of eleven years which consisted of three acts: Daily Life, Love and Marriage, and Death, George Gibbs and Emily Webb grew from childhood friends into husband and wife. "The wedding scene was Doug and my favorite because it was so beautiful," Cypher said.

Donna Payne, Eric Krepp, Caroline DeWalt and John Bailey portrayed the turn of the century "All American Parents."

Dewalt, new to the Medina stage from Michigan said, "I immediately felt comfortable; the cast was extremely nice."

Stage Manager and Assistant Director Tina Olson said, "Our Town" will be remembered as one of the finest plays presented at Medina. Cast and crew got along great."

Also geared to the smooth running success and close cast of "Our Town" Eric Krepp said, "It is beyond words. "Our Town" ran like a well-oiled machine. I have made lasting friendships with the characters I worked with most closely."

Director Carl Skorepa said, "I think this production of "Our Town" is truly an outstanding example of educational theater, because of the tremendous amount of growth, learning, and knowledge gained by cast and crew alike."

Donna Payne summed up the feeling of "Our Town" by saying, "The cast had more chemistry than Dupont. We were more than just friends. We were family, and Mr. Skorepa was more than just a director. He was a friend."

The Stage Manager, ably portrayed by senior Thespian Rod Wingfield, gives insight into the action of the next scene. (A)

During the hectic schedule of dress rehearsals, Linda Macun and Scott Sanford find time to relax. (C)

Snicker, Snicker, Snort, Snort

Sniglet Noises Cut Spice Fun Short

When the curtain came down the final night of S.P.I.C.E., the telephones began ringing in the offices of Superintendent Robert Fenn and Principal Augie Rios. The calls weren't for praise but were from parents and community members who were outraged with some of the skits that appeared this year.

A lot of complaints centered around the comedy act where senior John Bailey, as Father Guido Sarduchi, pulled down his pants to prove that his underwear with hearts on it was not stupid. Some parents were offended while most high school students, familiar with the ***Saturday Night Live*** character, just laughed.

Another scene that caused an uproar was the opening scene with the emcees and their "girls" giving a toast to Spice. To make the scene look authentic, they decided to use non-alcoholic grape juice as the champagne. Many parents were opposed to the students even pretending to be drinking.

What do sniglet noises and Spice have in common? During the last performance on Sunday night, sniglet noises were heard over the P.A. system while emcee Doug McMarlin tried to introduce an act. Later Liz Cypher and John Bailey admitted to the crime. According to senior Eric Whitnable, "The sniglet episode was hilarious, but inappropriate, because I had to go on stage next and be serious."

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When not making sniglet noises, Liz Cypher found time to give a lively solo performance of "Singing in the Rain." (A)

Trying to make a comic point about heart underwear, John Bailey caused an uproar instead. Yearbook photographer David Giovinazzo caught him in the act. (A)

If they felt any remorse over complaints about their non-alcoholic grape juice toast, seniors Eric Whitnable, Tina Olson, and Karl Norton don't look it. (C)

"I think the complaints were legitimate considering we did not have a rating on the show. From now on Spice should be rated PG, then parents can advise their children on questionable content."

Mr. I

Unaware of the controversy brewing in the audience, Tobi member Mr. Denni Interliggi belted out a 50's song from the musical *Grease.* (A)

The newest addition to the music department is the men's ensemble. "Seven Bridges Road" featured Eric Whitnable on the guitar and Steve Conder on the banjo.

Barbi Davis brought tears to the eyes of many members of the audience with her song "That's the Day." (A)

"It was a really good experience for me because I'm usually pretty shy when I sing in front of people. It helped me prove to myself that I could do it."

Barbi Davis

Picking up the pace of Spice with their lively rendition of "Boy From New York City" are Tony Gareffa, Julie Olberholtzer, Heidi Dzur and Rod Kramer. (A)

Memories of the 50's were brought back to life by the Top Hat Entertainment Company. Wendy Imig is pictured. (C)

Setting the beat for Spice are Bruce Lee and Sue Kinstle, two members of Stardusters. (A)

Spice '84

Total School Effort Spotlights Talent

Everyone needs a little variety in their life and every year S.P.I.C.E. (Special Performance In Creative Entertainment) shows the variety of talent at Medina. This year the acts varied from ballads like Wendy Imig's "First Love" to a comedy rock act called the Jungle Band led by freshman Kyle Hogrefe and from a Chinese Folk Dance by Melissa Liu to a comedy newsbreak by John Bailey and Donna Payne.

In charge of continuity for the show were emcees Eric Whitnable, Karl Norton, and Doug McMarlin. Under the direction of Miss Genie Somogyi and Mr. Carl Skorepa, they wrote introductions for each act and helped the show flow smoothly. Miss Somogyi expressed her feelings about directing Spice. "For me, it was a rewarding experience because I was able to watch the creative talents of many enthusiastic students as they developed their acts from the rough stages of their first rehearsals to their final polished performance."

Other faculty members were also involved in the production including Mr. Mark Hutsko who directed Girls' Ensemble and Top Hat Entertainment, Mr. Gary Ciulla who directed Stardusters and Medina's own musical foursome Mr. Carl Skorepa, Mr. John Berger, Mr. Mark Osterland and Mr. Denni Interliggi as T.O.B.I.

There were many soloists featured throughout the show including Kristin Reddick, Liz Cypher, Barbi Davis, Margie Kobak, and Jackie Labbe. A popular duet "A Total Eclipse of the Heart" was performed by Monica Glauner and Eric Whitnable.

The Top Hat Entertainment Company entered into the 50's scene with a swinging selection called "Come Go With Me." The girls wore bobby socks, saddle shoes and lettermen's sweaters. The boys had on white t-shirts and socks, leather jackets and, of course, slicked back hair.

Many people enjoyed the foot stomping music of "The Boys," as the men's ensemble calls themselves. New to the music department this year, the group consists of eight students. They sang "Seven Bridges Road" which featured Steve Conder on banjo and Eric Whitnable on guitar.

Instrumental numbers were provided by the brass quartet of Kurt Gibson, Wendy Hamrick, Leigh-Ann Lethco, and Joe Obermeier and guitarists Andy Leicher and Ed Nicholson. Other acts included Kelley Gardner dancing to "Robert E. Lee" and Miss Hannigan's Orphans performing "It's the Hard Knock Life."

Adding a little bit of culture from across the ocean is Melissa Liu doing a Chinese Folk Dance. (A)

Singing "Piano Man" in Spice was "a really neat experience" according to freshman Kristin Reddick. "Everyone treated me as a real person and not just as a freshman." (A)

Freshman Chip Kolesar harmonizes with the marching band during the post-game performance. (F)

Deep in thought, junior Kurt Gibson concentrates on the approaching parade competition at the Wadsworth Band Show. (F)

"The best part about being a member of the Marching Band was being able to add to the excitement and atmosphere of Friday night football games."
Kurt Gibson

Marching Band Row 1: C. Chen, W. Weber, C. Rodgers, T. Robson, L. Schaefer, B. Waybright, P. Selmants, D. Dague, J. Bock, A. Phillips, C. Clover, M. Grabowski; *Row 2:* S. Giles, B. Judkins, C. McGehee, J. Obermeier, K. Gibson, W. Feeser, P. Braun, S. Lucht, T. Dryer, T. Minton, J. Oberholtzer; *Row 3:* D. Steirer, R. Stratman, C. Kolesar, T. Jones, K. Maupin, J. Schaefer, K. Wolfe, T. Moody, R. Dague, L. Gerhart, S. Patry, J. Smith, S. Jaklitsch, K. Zemnickas, K. Estock; *Row 4:* M. Thomas, M. Jackson, D. McMarlin, R. Frysinger, A. Giovinazzo, L. Letcho, S. Shaw, D. Chase, T. Wass, M. Barnett, M. Creadon, J. Graber, D. Miller, A. Darner; *Row 5:* B. Reynolds, K. Ferguson, W. Hamrick, M. McGinnis, S. Kinstle, S. Jackson, J. Ebner, L. Moon, S. Gifford, S. Kenat, L. Kelly, O. Harrison, D. Sabo, M. Klein, S. Koppes; *Row 6:* F. Harrison, D. Yarman, L. Moucha, J. Saucier, S. Scott, K. Fennell, C. Cody, R. Barengo, S. Cunningham, B. Vanuch, M. Houser, B. Chaney, H. Tomes, L. Hendrickson, B. Frazier; *Row 7:* M. Duta, K. Rebescher, C. Werstak, L. DeLuca, D. Thorton, J. Kennedy, J. Hayden, S. Cody, B. Ford, N. Holt, D. Giovinazzo, T. Mason, S. Brenneman, L. Buckloh, J. LeBlanc; *Row 8:* B. Lee, T. Heim, M. McBride, M. Haney, C. Cornell, S. Cornell. (G)

Marching Band

Tough Practices Bring Excellence

Placing excellence as their goal, the Medina Musical Marching Band marched its way through another successful season. Beginning with two long and hot weeks of band camp in August, they continued practices every Tuesday and Thursday night and every morning during first period.

Under the superb leadership of band directors Mr. Gary Ciulla and Miss Nancy McNeal, the band had many tough practices trying to get all the numbers memorized and perfected. At times the only words they seemed to know were "go back and do it again." Trying to get 143 band members to march on the same foot, begin on the same count, play the right notes, and follow all the right marching patterns takes a lot of work, but the quality of Medina's band allows for the result to be perfect.

Every group has room for expansion and the marching band is no exception. They entered competition this year at the Wadworth Band Show and brought home second place trophy for the parade portion of the competition. Senior Beth Chaney felt that, "Competition was a good, positive step forward. It helped to show us where we needed imporvement."

During competition there are a number of people judging in different categories. The judges roam freely about the field as the band performs, marking down all the mistakes they see. This may make some members nervous, but freshman Beth Vanuch said she didn't even notice them. "While I'm on the field, I just try to concentrate on the right moves and not any mistakes I've made, because that just throws you off."

Along with performing at all the football games, the marching band also attends band shows and marches in parades. For the third straight year the Musical Marching Bees hosted the 13th annual Band-O-Rama All of the county bands joined together for a night of fun as they performed individually and at the end as one combined band.

Standing at attention, these band members wait for further commands from from band director Gary Ciulla. (E)

After performing a long routine on a sunny day, Scott Cornell rests wearily on his tuba. (E)

Caught taking a break after the performance, sophomore Monica Klein and freshman Lisa Moon avoid the half time crowds at the concession stand. (E)

Beeliners

Competition Adds To Excellence

And one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight down. The sound of the Beeliner's voices drifted through the empty halls as they worked to finish perfecting another routine.

All of the practicing paid off as the Beeliners captured all possible awards at the Firebird Drill Team Camp at Ashland College over the summer. The girls brought home a first place trophy for their home routine, a first for all-around competition, and a spirit stick. Lineleader Jill Kumbier was the winner of the drill down while Chris Price, captain Julie Kohanski, and lineleaders Lisa Longacre and Michelle Smalling were nominees for the Superstar Drill Team. Lisa Longacre and Michelle Smalling were later selected to dance with the Superstar Drill Team in Hawaii and Dallas over Christmas vacation.

Following the summer months and football season, the Beeliners continued to enter competitions and performed at a Cavalier's game. Senior Lynette Holt commented, "Participating in competitions made me realize that there was more to dancing than just a football game."

Competition was just one of the new phases of the Beeliners this year. They also received new uniforms and a new adviser, Ms. Marge Kolesar. Under the leadership and guidance of captain Julie Kohanski and with the help of Ms. Kolesar, the Beeliners seem to be expanding their skills in new and exciting directions.

Thinking about a nice, cold drink, Senior Shawna Norris has to settle for a piece of ice, as she tries to keep her mind off the heat during a summer band show. (E)

Beeliners Row 1: M. Smalling, J. Kohanski, J. Kumbier, L. Longacre; ***Row 2:*** B. DiClemente, B. Seiple, M. Haumesser, S. Beard, L. Holt, C. Price, J. Jeffries, C. Grimm, J. Coyle, S. Seiple; ***Row 3:*** A. Feucht, L. Chmielewski, D. Ellinwood, J. Reddick, A. Schmith, S. Frantz, L. Miller, S. Norris, W. Imig, P. Keiffer. (G)

Flagline

Second Year A Success

Although it was a sometimes hectic season due to an unexpected time commitment of the adviser, spirit, dedication, and hard work enabled the Medina flagline to have an outstanding season. During summer band camp, adviser Lori Ciulla was called on to fill an opening as assistant band director at Copley. Her added duties also added responsibilities to the line leaders who had to make up routines and call extra rehearsals. Amy Buchanan stated, "It was equally hard on the other flags, because they weren't used to taking orders from class mates."

Despite the confusion, they began in the summer by attending camp where they were split into three groups: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. In each of these groups, the flagline earned a special award.

At the end of the summer, they attended two weeks of band camp with the rest of the marching band. During this time they worked very hard to learn and perfect sharp and flashy routines to perform during football season.

The flagline had their first competition at the Wadsworth Band Show and captain Kris Leister, who was quite pleased with the results, said, "At our first competition the flagline placed fifth out of twelve other lines. We knew we weren't going to get first, but we were excited with that standing because we're only a second year line."

Led by the Beeliners and Flagline, the Medina Musical Marching Bees begin the parade competition in which they place second. (E)

Sophomore flag girls Jodi Cashion and Angel Moyer take a break between numbers. (E)

Flagline Row 1: A. Livingston, C. Leland, T. Saylor, K. Rabung, A. Moyer, L. Waybright, J. Cashion, D. Hogan; *Row 2:* D. Miller, S. Johnson, J. Keenan, C. Czajka, A. Buchanan, K. Leister, L. Loudermilk, D. Miller. (G)

Keeping up on the taste of the cafeteria food is Food Service Committee Chairperson John Cavanagh.

Freshman Rep Heather Daugherty and Student Council President Jennifer Chidsey add names to the drawing for a free pizza party.

"The point system was good because it showed who were the hard workers of the group and eliminated those who would rather goof around."

Karyn Sands

Always busy, here adviser Jeanne Pritchard takes a break from working the dart game at Mardi Gras to grab a quick bite to eat.

Wondering who will receive the honor of being crowned King and Queen of Mardi Gras is Neica Lungaro and Melissa Schultz. (Laura Gravan and Dan Daubner won.)

Student Council Row 1: K. Sands, C. Davis, J. Meier, D. Syrek, C. Kemp, M. Filer, K. Cavanagh, A. Arehart, adviser J. Pritchard; *Row 2:* S. Sanford, K. Brewer, C. Cody, J. Ebner, F. Harrison, L. Felice, Z. Jovanovic, A. Dudick; *Row 3:* K. Zemnickas, J. Schaefer, J. Kumbier, J. Coyle, J. Navratil, M. Schultz, B. Walth, W. Hamrick, J. Cavanagh; *Row 4:* C. Leland, M. Cragar, N. Lungaro, J. Rog, E. Fauber, D. Kumbier, B. DiClemente, M. Swank; *Row 5:* J. Bailey, M. Daubner, J. Smolko, J. Shields, M. Obloy, D. Wagner; *Not pictured:* J. Chidsey, K. Fedro, B. Dietrichs, J. Redick, D. Bachtell, M. Kruggel, H. Daughtery, M. Smalling.

Student Council

Strong Leaders Achieve Honors

For any group like Student Council, receiving an honor or award is a reflection of their efforts through the year. This year five members received a nomination to the All Ohio Student Council for the work they had done as individuals. One such award would show what a strong council Medina has, but with five, it shows excellence. Jennifer Chidsey, Mary Linda Cragar, Missy Filer, John Meier and Michelle Swank received the honor from the Ohio Association of Student Councils at the convention in May.

The strength of council resulted from creativity and changes which led to new and different projects such as Mardi Gras Week, Leadership Week, and Teacher Secret Pals. Small scale changes were also made in the already established projects such as Spirit Weeks and Homecoming.

One of the biggest changes was that all members were placed on a point system to keep track of the work they completed each semester. A chart to display the hours worked was displayed so students could see how those they elected were doing. Members who did not have at least the required amount of points were replaced.

Keeping the JVS students informed was another concern of Student Council. A newly formed committee from council met with Laura Kessler and Tim Krosse, non-voting representatives from the JVS, to discuss problems occuring between students at both schools.

The previous complaints over food quality led to council's concern about the new food service company that took over the cafeteria this year. To ensure that the student's word can be heard a committee was set up to handle the concerns brought to the council about the cafeteria and quality of the food. This committee met with the food service director to discuss problems and ideas.

According to adviser James Pritchard, "Student Council was strong because of President Jennifer Chidsey's strong leadership and willingness to spend hours on a project. It was a year of accomplishments."

The new food service (introduced through the efforts of Student Council) not only improved the quality of the food, but also kept the students interested by giving away prizes. Here Food Service Manager, Mr. Jim Dabrowski stands with Rhonda Athey and the 6 foot stocking she won in a drawing before Christmas.

Getting into the spirit of the Mardi Gras, two good sports (Mrs. Cindi Wismar and Miss Linda Ocepek) helped out at the ***Medinamite*** booth by offering to have a pie in the face. "It was messy work, but somebody had to do it," said Miss Ocepek.

Below-Sophomore Chris Stiffler takes notes at an early morning meeting (A). *At right-President* Chris Hughes and Treasurer Dave Wagner are being sold at Buy-A-Buddy Day by auctioneer Mr. Lindy McQuown (A).

During the Special Olympics two members of the Achievement Center have time to pose with Frank Cureton and Karl Fennell. (Photo courtesy of Key Club)

"Key Club is a great way for a guy to build up his potential even though you don't have to be good in sports or get good grades to be in the club."

Karl Fennell

Key Club Row 1: S. Reinhardt, P. Dunbrack, J. Kirkham, D. Wagner, C. Hughes, D. George, B. Krejci, K. Fennell, R. Marco; *Row 2:* J. Sucky, D. Willis, J. Vithous, S. Benson, M. Neese, T. Hules, G. King, M. Kinnard, C. Stiffler, M. Bogdan, R. Sitz, E. Shellito, A. Rupprecht, B. Casey, M. Hules, S. Meuler, B. Troup; *Row 3:* J. Ocasek, B. Ryks, R. Roper, C. Croucher, S. Roper, A. Krejci, K. Fringer, G. Hawkins, M. Laird, M. Creadon, S. Krutsch, D. Masco, D. Cochran, R. Schirripa; *Row 4:* E. Bretthauer, B. Hamblen, T. Shuman, K. Vaughn, K. Hogrefe, B. Hutson, A. Tu, D. Palmquist, C. Coleman, C. Templin, R. Jeffries, T. Hotes, C. Wetzel, T. Ruppelli, B. Smudz, C. Smith, T. Phillips. *Row 5:* J. Smith, B. Marchana, R. Glasenapp, D. Mardavich, P. Richardson, J. Ebner, P. Argity, G. Lipscomb, S. Deluca, C. Nageotte, S. Paul, L. Lewis, B. Ensor, D. McMarlin; *Row 6:* B. Svenson, D. Layton, W. Elligott, D. Lee, M. Canfield, S. Tracy, M. LeBlanc, T. Heim, C. McGehee, S. Kenat, E. Woebkenberg, T. Gregory, J. Kallat, J. Frantz, K. Heath, J. Czsnoz, B. Kiley, B. Tuff, C. Keyser; *Row 7:* S. Hidden, M. Hulvey, S. Wincup, R. See, J. Bock, J. Obermeier, K. Gibson, C. Downing, C. Kobak, B. Phillips, S. Fuller, O. Harrison, J. Leckie, M. Stadnik, M. Chronister, S. Luxon; *Row 8:* R. Harney, S. Mickle, K. Dougherty, D. Longacre, M. Eaken, B. Whitmarsh, K. Norton, C. Kolesar, M. Goyette, M. McBride, J. Griffor, K. Fish, K. Walter, G. Robins, S. Dix, R. Sitz, J. Gaynor. (G)

Key Club

'Confront Confusion-Discover Direction'

Guided by the international theme to "Confront Confusion — Discover Direction," Key Club completed a successful year of activities. Principal Augie Rios praised Key Club as one of the most outstanding clubs at Medina. "I'm proud to have them represent us, and I appreciate the work they do for the school and community and the work Mr. Marco does with them," he said.

For the first time Key Club was led by an all junior board including President Chris Hughes, Secretary Dan George, Vice President Joe Kirkham, and Treasurer Dave Wagner. They were assisted by class representatives Scott Reinhardt (senior), Bob Krejci (junior), Pat Dunbrack (sophomore) and Chris Kelley (freshman).

During the year they completed over 100 service projects, the most ever by a Medina club. Their most successful projects were the Runathon, the Zone Training Conference, Pancake Day, the West Coast Dance, the Haunted House, Slave Day, and the Special Olympics. According to President Chris Hughes, one of the most worthwhile and enjoyable projects was the visits members made each Thursday after school to Crestview Nursing Home to visit with the residents.

Key Club members were able to plan for so many events because they met every Wednesday morning before school at 6:50 a.m. Under adviser Mr. Richard Marco, a graduate of Medina and a local attorney, the club participated in family, community, school, and even nationwide projects. For the past seven out of the last eight years Key Club has placed first in the state. This year Karl Fennell was elected as lieutenant governor of the Ohio District while Chris Hughes will hold that position next year.

Chris praised the club's work. "Successful things come from prestigious people. When such a large quantity of people can unite to perform numerous quality projects, that signifies successful, prestigious people. That's Key Club!"

After bidding $58.00 on a slave, Brad Hamblen pays Joe Kirkham his money. The money raised was used to buy equipment for Crestview nursing home. (A)

Key Club officers Dan George, Karl Fennell, Chris Hughes, Dave Wagner and Scott Reinhardt discuss topics and activities that will be raised in the next meeting. Key Club meets Wednesday mornings at 6:50 a.m. in the lecture hall. (A)

ACT

New Club Is Active Success

Being involved with a new organization can have rewards and frustrations, as the newly formed ACT club discovered. Members of the group were faced with the challenge of developing an idea into a successful functioning group.

Getting involved in ACT was also a lot of fun as sophomore representative Jill Harper stated, "The rock-a-thon was the most fun project we did all year because although no one really knew each other, we stayed up all night and talked. We were really like a family." The $300 raised by the club was donated to the oncology department at Medina Community Hospital.

Other projects during the year included a Halloween dance, big sis day, serving as wrestling locker sisters and selling basketball tickets. Maribeth Duta, junior representative, believed that "this year was really great for such a new club. We had many successful projects that really helped the community." Like Maribeth, most members agreed that the newness of the organization did not affect its progress.

Other officers for the year included Margie Kobak who served as president. Margie was especially pleased with the results from the rock-a-thon. Lori Vance served as vice president and Lori Cotman as secretary-treasurer. Senior and freshman representatives, Jenny Coyle and Eva Smietana also contributed to the club's success. From the high hopes that ACT members have for next year, it is evident that they will continue with many successful activities.

President of ACT, Margie Kobak and secretary Lori Cotman confer during an ACT meeting. Margie found that a fun part of working in ACT was "getting to know the freshman and sophomore girls." (A)

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YARC

Students Enjoy Helping Others

Members agreed that one of the truly rewarding aspects of being a YARC (Youth Association for Retarded Citizens) is seeing how much their efforts are enjoyed by the retarded citizens.

Activities sponsored by this organization included dances at the Achievement Center, fund raisers and perhaps most important, the Special Olympics. During this day, retarded children from area schools compete in various track and field events. YARC members assist with awards and see that individuals reach their event on time. Secretary-treasurer Amy Giovinazzo discovered that "the Special Olympics is a very rewarding experience. I especially remember the fun they had even though it was raining."

Other officers for the club included Dorothy Johnston (president) Leigh-Ann Lethco (vice-president) and Cindy Gum (publicity director).

Several members of YARC are also involved in activities outside of the club relating to retarded citizens. An example of this is Dorothy Johnston who has been involved in working at Camp Paradise and with project RIDE teaching the retarded to ride horses. Other club members such as Karlene Rodgers, Mary Beth Daubner and Kurt Gibson have worked at Camp Paradise. Karlene enjoys working at camp because of the people there. She says, "The people are fantastic. You can't find better people. I really love working with the kids; they're really special." This is one of the reasons that people join YARC. It is stated well by Cindy Gum who says, "It feels good to know that I can make their day."

Senior Mary Beth Daubner said that she decided to be in YARC "after working at Camp Paradise in the summer." ***Amy Giovinazzo has*** enjoyed her three years in YARC and says "it's too bad more people aren't involved." (B)

Dorothy Johnston, president of YARC, found working in the club was fun because she saw how the retarded kids "realize their talents — especially at the Special Olympics." (B)

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Spanish Club

Gains Strength In Third Year

Under the leadership of Kurt Gibson (president), Christy Luneke (vice president), Lisa Argiry (secretary) and Lynn Flood (treasurer), Spanish Club has become a well-established club for only its third year of existence. One new step this year was to have a point system among the members. This was to ensure that all members were getting involved equally. The board along with advisers Mrs. Sue Stoffer and Mrs. Jill Linek felt this made the group stronger and it will be used next year.

Spanish Club members became involved in such activities as sponsoring an under privileged child in Mexico and having a $300 scholarship for an outstanding club member to go on the trip to Spain. This was awarded to club president Kurt Gibson.

To raise these funds club members sold M&M's and worked at the varsity girls' basketball concession stand. The club is planning on buying a foreign language bulletin board to place outside of the language office to list recent news.

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¡Buen Viaje De España!

Students Visit Spain, Become World Travelers

All the years of dedication to learning a language are worth it when one gets to travel to the country where their second language is spoken. This year 24 students went to Spain. The best learning experience is when you can put all those years to practice and use what you have acquired among natives of that country.

Joanne Jeffries said, "The people of Spain were very friendly. My Spanish really improved because they were very patient and helpful."

For the Spanish students it was great to actually walk through and admire all of the cathedrals, castles and monuments that have been only seen in pictures. John Notarianni said his favorite city in Spain was Sevilla. "It was not as crowded and confusing as Madrid. I liked the climate and the people in Sevilla and the city is all around beautiful. The one thing I wish is that I could have spent more time in Sevilla since it was so much fun."

Another experience shared by everyone was finding out that there is a whole other part of the world out there, one different in every way from what we are all accustomed to. Those differences were not always easy to adjust to for the eight days the group was gone. One of the adjustments that had to be made was not to drink the tap water, but instead to buy bottled water.

Even the sights and sounds on the streets were different. "It was really different to see nothing but compact cars lined up in the narrow streets. We often found ourselves plastered against the walls as cars squeezed through the tunnel-like roads," said Kurt Gibson.

Above: Gail Riddleburg and chaperone Mrs. Jill Linek pose for the typical tourist shot in front of a castle in Sevilla that the group toured. Also accompanying the tour were Mr. Ron Linek and Miss Judy Chiaramonte. Besides ancient buildings, more modern structures also lined the streets of Madrid. Monuments were located everywhere around the city such as the one pictured above right. (M)

The weary students take a break from walking. While in Sevilla the group toured the cathedral there, which is the third largest of its kind in the world, and also the tower next to it with 33 stories! (M)

The group (at left) is demonstrating how the cathedrals were able to stand with nothing supporting them. The tour guide is showing what to do as a human building is being constructed. (M)

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All the years of dedication to learning a language are worth it when one gets to travel to the country where their second language is spoken. This year 24 students went to Spain. The best learning experience is when you can put all those years to practice and use what you have acquired among natives of that country.

Joanne Jeffries said, "The people of Spain were very friendly. My Spanish really improved because they were very patient and helpful."

For the Spanish students it was great to actually walk through and admire all of the cathedrals, castles and monuments that have been only seen in pictures. John Notarianni said his favorite city in Spain was Sevilla. "It was not as crowded and confusing as Madrid. I liked the climate and the people in Sevilla and the city is all around beautiful. The one thing I wish is that I could have spent more time in Sevilla since it was so much fun."

Another experience shared by everyone was finding out that there is a whole other part of the world out there, one different in every way from what we are all accustomed to. Those differences were not always easy to adjust to for the eight days the group was gone. One of the adjustments that had to be made was not to drink the tap water, but instead to buy bottled water.

Even the sights and sounds on the streets were different. "It was really different to see nothing but compact cars lined up in the narrow streets. We often found ourselves plastered against the walls as cars squeezed through the tunnel-like roads," said Kurt Gibson.

Above: Gail Riddleburg and chaperone Mrs. Jill Linek pose for the typical tourist shot in front of a castle in Sevilla that the group toured. Also accompanying the tour were Mr. Ron Linek and Miss Judy Chiaramonte. Besides ancient buildings, more modern structures also lined the streets of Madrid. Monuments were located everywhere around the city such as the one pictured above right. (M)

The weary students take a break from walking. While in Sevilla the group toured the cathedral there, which is the third largest of its kind in the world, and also the tower next to it with 33 stories! (M)

The group (at left) is demonstrating how the cathedrals were able to stand with nothing supporting them. The tour guide is showing what to do as a human building is being constructed. (M)

Even though Latin Club didn't do much this year, "It was fun talking about what we wanted to do," said Latin Club secretary Cindy Bluebaugh (below). (B)

Lori Cotman hides from the camera during study hall. Lori commented, "I wish German Club could do more, but we just don't have enough interested people."

"I think all languages should have a club. It is a good way to supplement the language and learn more about the culture and people."

Missy Filer

French Club Row 1: R. Danielson, D. Vornberger, D. Payne, R. Johannson, M. Mason, K. Rebescher, S. Johnson, C. Faur, J. LeBlanc, M. LeBlanc, K. Leister, S. Laliberte; ***Row 2:*** D. Dague, C. Price, B. Klein, J. Harper, K. Davey, J. Schaefer, L. Omwake, S. Paul, J. Pardoe, S. Beard, M. Jackson, M. Thomas; ***Row 3:*** K. Cassel, L. Augustajhis, C. Kane, L. Felice, L. Buckloh, K. Pull, J. Pacholski, V. Yavoich, S. Codding, K. Zemnickas, K. Pethtel, M. Duta; ***Row 4:*** B. Van Boxel, C. Watson, S. Fannin, J. Buck, D. Krajewski, J. Steves. M. Metzger, T. Beaulieu, T. Schwandt, D. Harrell, J. McDade; ***Row 5:*** V. Phillip, A. Hawkins, K. Lockhart, C. Leland, H. Muha, L. Berg, A. Crooks, R. Jayaswal, M. Obloy, S. Kenat; ***Row 6:*** T. Heim, J. Cragar, T. Wyles, K. Anderson, W. Richards, R. Dague, M. Deputy, K. Baisch; ***Rwo 7:*** J. Kallet, C. Kobak, D. Daubner, J. Heath, B. Greinke, K. Fish (G)

Foreign Language Clubs

Students Extend Language Study

Foreign language clubs are designed to allow the students to learn more about the language they are taking outside the classroom. Foreign language clubs include Spanish Club, Latin Club, French Club, and German Club. Senior David Bachtell commented, "I joined Latin Club because I wanted to learn more about the language I was studying."

Latin Club's major activity is holding and going to banquets with other Latin clubs from other schools. Latin Club also went to Crestview on Valentine's Day. Officers include presidents Eric Krepp, Pete Effinger, Ken Koppes, vice presidents Ben Sutandar and Leigh-Ann Lethco, treasurer David Bachtell and secretary Cindy Bluebaugh.

French Club vice president Stacy Johnson said, "Going out to eat at Maison Martel has been the best part of French Club all year." As well as going out to eat, French Club also held a Christmas party, helped the French students at Sidney Fenn, and raised money by selling candy. French Club officers include president Cindy Faur, vice president Stacy Johnson, secretary Karin Rebescher, treasurer Mike Mason and publicity director Mike LeBlanc.

This past year was German Club's first year. A trip to Baldwin Wallace for a Christmas Mass was the highlight of the year. The mass was conducted in German. Monica Klien remarked, "The mass was all in German. We sang hymns in German and lit candles to represent the light of the world. It was really interesting." German Club officers are president Kimberly Beyman, vice president Monica Klein, and secretary-treasurer Missy Filer.

French Club officers Karin Rebescher and Stacy Johnson (top left) make plans for a club meeting. Both Karin and Stacy commented, "We really enjoy French Club and we're glad to see how many people are interested in the club." (B)

German Club Row 1: M. Klein (vice president), K. Beyman (president), M. Filer (secretary/treasurer), S. Lucht, L. Zinsky, C. Downing, E. Hayden, J. Heath, L. Cotman, K. Chaney; ***Row 2:*** S. Stuart, E. Bretthauer, R. See, C. Nageotte, C. Hofmeister, P. Whitmarsh, J. Toom, S. Haney, D. Johnson, M. Haney. (G)

Latin Club Row 1: L. Lethco, D. Bachtell, C. Bluebaugh, E. Krepp, K. Koppes, S. Dix, P. Effinger, M. Stadnik, M. Malone; ***Row 2:*** J. Johnson, R. Barengo, B. Vanuch, B. Scott, A. Whitnable, K. Whalen, T. Ducar, J. Cavanagh; ***Row 3:*** R. Sutandar, C. Richling, L. Richwine, P. Bohanon, D. Piskach, K. Ejze, K. Maupin, B. Sutandar, J. Sublett; ***Row 4:*** K. Brewer, K. Fennell, K. Burke, L. Soto, W. Neal, T. Ptak, B. Finger, J. Tischke; ***Row 5:*** J. Opdahl, L. Moon, J. Oberholtzer, L. Lehman, L. Finley, M. Anderson, J. Chaprian, H. Tu, D. Leeds; ***Row 6:*** J. Sucky, T. Minton, M. Girton, M. McCoy, M. Neese, L. Waybright, B. Moon; ***Row 7:*** D. Willis, J. Heath, B. Hutson, M. Grabowski, J. Ocasek. J. Brown, K. Medley (G)

National Honor Society

Leadership And Motivation

Leadership. This is what National Honor Society means. Medina's chapter of National Honor Society is part of a nationwide attempt to honor the high school leaders for their character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

Over the last 43 years, Medina's chapter of NHS has had over 900 members. However, it started out very small. In 1941, Medina had only four members in the club. There were no members in 1945 for no one qualified. Now there are thirty three members of NHS.

Today NHS promotes scholarship, leadership, and service through such activities as NHS Week, aiding at Open House, tutoring other students, and being the captains of the Dollars for Scholars drive.

Under the adviserships of Mrs. Eleanor McCandless and Mrs. Sharon Layton, NHS has two elected officials. President this year was John Meier and secretary/treasurer was Carolyn Cody. Along with these two are five members who are a part of the steering committee. They are expected to contact members on their list at various times throughout the year.

To get into NHS, one must have a B+ average and have participated in at least two activities for two or more years. The names then go before a board of teachers and the final group is selected. They must then maintain a B+ average to remain through their senior year.

Senior Jackie Labbe, who is on the steering committee of NHS, is concentrating in A.P. Biology. She has the responsibility of contacting NHS members throughout the year in order to inform them of upcoming events.

National Honor Society Row 1: J. Meier, D. Miller, L. Lethco, C. Cody, D. Johnston, Z. Jovanovic, K. Weygandt, C. Gum; *Row 2:* J. Shields, D. Hill, B. Morell, C. DeWalt, C. Davis, J. Labbe, A. Gasser, M Liu, B. Chaney, M. Kobak, C. Niese, E. Cypher, M. Cragar, K. Lavan; *Row 3:* D. Bachtell, K. Fennell, E. Whitnable, J. Obermeier, K. Koppes, S. Krutsch, M. Griffor; *Not pictured:* J. Chidsey, M. Miller, M. Murphy, R. Wingfield

Girls Leaders Club

Responsibility And School Service

Community Aid. Ticket selling, Secret Pals. Adopted grandparents. These facets and more add up to the Girls Leaders Club.

GLC is a club which was started in the early 40's by Miss Allen, a physical education teacher and the girls' basketball coach. Its purpose was and still is to be a service organization. The girls in this club perform numerous services to the school and community. By doing this, the girls are instilled with a sense of responsibility and leadership.

Membership is made up of junior and senior girls who have at least a B- average in the major subjects. They must also show leadership qualities, dependability, and sportsmanship.

One of the major projects of the year is selling tickets at all sports events except boys' basketball. This is the main service the girls do for the school and their help is invaluable. Other activities GLC does are adopting grandparents at the County Home, helping at safety town, and donating money to various community services. Within the club all the girls have a secret pal. They decorate lockers, send flowers, and at various get togethers will bring a gift. This helps to promote a closer atmosphere among the members of the group.

Altogether, GLC makes up an important part of school life. Without them, there would be trouble getting willing help around the school. Mrs. Helen Strett, the GLC adviser, characterized the girls. "They are a group of real good, responsible girls. If something needs to be done, they will do it."

Participating in a major job of GLC, Junior Liz Jaeger sells tickets at a girls' basketball game.

Senior Christy Davis sells a chance at guessing how many M & M's were in a jar at Mardi Gras. The money raised was added with other money to make a contribution to Community Services.

GLC Row 1: Treasurer K. Weygandt, Vice President M. Cragar, President L. Lethco, Secretary C. Cody, Chaplain E. Cypher; ***Row 2:*** D. Payne, C. Davis, M. Murphy, J. Schaefer, L. Finley, C. Williams, S. Gifford, Z. Jovanovic; ***Row 3:*** L. Argiry, C. Luneke, K. Rodgers, K. Zemnickas, K. Rebescher, M. Lewis, E. Jaeger, C. Niese; ***Not pictured:*** S. Pull, J. Chidsey, J. Ratajczak

"AFS brings people from other countries closer together."

Luan Lind, President

American History is required of all students including Jim Gaynor, Sean Haney, exchange student Peter Schjott from Greenland and Michelle Abbey. (Photo by Mrs. Karen Schmidt)

Soccer cheerleader Kelli Morrison smiles as Adrain Brizuela from Argentina pulls her into the picture. Kelli helped to cheer Adrian on when he played for the championship soccer team in the 1983 season. (Photo by Mrs. Karen Schmidt.)

AFS Row 1: P. Schjott, D. Dague, D. Fellhoelter, R. Athey, T. Wass, C. Graham, V. Phillip, T. Beaulieu, T. Schwandt; *Row 2:* L. Lind (president), T. Moody (treasurer), L. Lucht, M. Kress, T. Bradley, C. Czajka, C. Makowski, Mrs. K. Schmidt (adviser;) (not pictured-N. Bradley-secretary). (G)

AFS is

Turning Faces Into Places

American Field Service (AFS) is an organization for those students who are interested in seeing how others around the world live, meeting new people, and living in a new culture. AFS is the largest high school exchange program. Senior Luan Lind, president of AFS, said, "I joined AFS in order to meet and become friends with the exchange students, and to learn about different cultures."

Members of AFS participate in activities such as dinners, roller-skating, and dances. These activities provide chances for the AFS members to get acquainted with the exchange students and to show our guests Medina and our culture.

Activities for the club members are also organized. All of the clubs from the Greater Cleveland area meet twice a year at the Hiram House. This gives the club a chance to stay in touch and exchange ideas with the other clubs. A short term exchange trip is also taken. The club exchanges with another club from a different state for a total time of two weeks, one week here and one week there. Cathy Czajka commented, "The short term trip is a chance to meet different people, see different life styles, and learn more about our country." This year AFS is going to Tennessee.

Two other programs accompanied American Field Service this past year. Hillevi Holm from Sweden and Luigi Moreira from Ecuador are staying in Medina through the Rotary Exchange Program. Martin Kohan from Argentina is here through Youth for Understanding. AFS exchange students include Adrian Brizuela from Argentina, Edeliro "Nene" Gaete from Paraguay, and Peter Schjott from Greenland.

Hillevi Holm from Sweden is staying in Medina through a program sponsored by Rotary. Said Hillevi, "I really enjoy Medina, It's a very open and friendly little town." (A)

Luigi Moreira from Ecuador, Brian Kiley, and "Nene" Gaete from Paraguay enjoy a good laugh together. (Photo by Mrs. Karen Schmidt.)

Martin Kohan from Argentina is here through the Youth for Understanding exchange program. (Photo by Mrs. Karen Schmidt.)

Brandywine Row 1: A. Feucht, K. Leister, H. Hook, L. Werstak, C. Chen, J. Workman, M. Templin, T. Miller, C. Towner, K. Hazelwood, D. Hill, M. Murphy, A. Woebkenburg, K. Davey, J. Harper, N. Brown, R. Law, M. McArdle, L. Newkirk; ***Row 2:*** K. Fennell, J. McIntyre, D. Daubner, V. Kozlowski, J. Sorocco, M. Eaken, K. Norton, D. Miller, C. Templin, T. Davies, L. Holt, R. Stratman, K. Snyder, J. Shaffer, D. Underwood, N. Gaete; ***Row 3:*** R. Kramer, D. Longacre, L. Gillette, C. Coleman, B. Ryks, J. Nemeth, B. Sattler, D. Cochran, M. Berry, G. King, T. Hulvey, T. Adam, S. Patry, L. Kelly, K. Rynearson, K. Leckie, S. Mack, S. Sanford, P. Wagner; ***Row 4:*** S. Farnsworth, M. Goyette, P. Argiry, J. Ebner, G. Lipscom, A. Lewis, T. Rupelli, B. Olin, C. Smith, T. Phillips, R. Johannsen, L. Augustajtis, T. Lewis, L. Strasser, J. Shearer, P. Shaets, M. Mahoney, S. Norton; ***Row 5:*** N. Lilly, B. Lee, J. LeBlanc, E. Stanczak, J. Stupar, E. Hayden, B. Irvin, B. Papay, K. Dougherty, M. Filer, L. Felice, D. Mudd, D. McAlonan, D. Brown, D. McAlonan, C. Scherer; ***Row 6:*** D. Wills, M. LeBlanc, B. Mann, M. Canfield, E. Miller, B. Phillips, S. Fuller, J. Frantz, J. Griffor, B. Greinke, J. Heath, C. Downing, A. Kazian, B. Kiley, P. Danielson, S. Hawkins, S. Menze, L. Joo, D. Madson, M. Galabraith; ***Row 7:*** B. Ott, J. Kallet, B. Wyles, P. Whitmarsh, P. Braun, M. Creadon, P. Cowley, B. Isaac, D. Krejewski, S. Edinger, K. Jones, D. Dague, A. Luippino, S. Callahan, S. Niswander, R. Loudin, B. Whitmarsh, J. Cavanagh, L. Richwine, P. Boehnen; ***Row 8:*** J. Killy, K. Dougherty, P. Wong, E. Smith, M. Turk, J. Gaynor, T. Gianvito, C. Keyser, B. Kiley, B. Carver, M. McCoy, R. Cowgern, E. Charnock, M. Griffor, C. Keehn, W. Elligott, J. Ratacjak, G. Beten

Darren Mudd, Robert Swingle, Mike McCoy, and Mike Goyette anticipate hitting the slopes while waiting for their bus to Brandywine to arrive. All four boys have been in Ski Club since junior high and one, Mike McCoy, has been skiing for nine years. Mike began skiing while he lived in Utah where everyone skiis he said.

"It's a great opportunity to go skiing once a week and not have the normal hassles. It also helped my skiing knowledge and ability."

Diane Mardavich

Boston Mills Row 1: H. Hochradel, M. Haumesser, E. Whitnable, D. Mardavich, S. Seitz, S. Paxson, S. Frantz, B. Selmants, K. Richardson, T. Valentine, C. Croucher; ***Row 2:*** M. Jackson, M. Thomas, E. Haueisen, D. Mardavich, K. Egan, S. Mackin, M. Swingle, S. Roper, M. Meadows, R. Schirripa; ***Row 3:*** K. Hiller, N. Lungaro, C. Hawkins, L. Marchiano, R. Brausch, K. Kofpstein, P. Provagna, N. Simko; ***Row 4:*** B. Troup, P. Kieffer, D. Syrek, A. Arehart, M. Franz, L. Berg; K. Walters, J. Cragar, P. Selmants, G. Chalfant, S. Markert; ***Row 5:*** K. Brock, J. Chrien, G. Slyman, C. Flickenger, C. Davis, B. Van Hoose, S. Anderson, N. Lungaro, D. Shearer, J. Kirkham, R. Lungaro; ***Row 6:*** D. Casey, M. Hules, T. Ruppeli, A. Lewis, A. Brandt, C. Kemp, R. Sitz, E. Shellito, M. Bogdan, R. Sitz, G. Rohm; ***Row 7:*** T. Kieffer, J. Opdahl, Eric Wu, A. Hiller, G. Sanginity, R. Tratsch, G. Mizerek, G. Takas, T. Brown, C. Talbert; ***Row 8:*** N. Lanzer, R. Nicoloff, T. Gareffa, P. Nicholson, M. Metzger, D. Tripepi, M. Ambroziak.

Ski Club

Sliding Through A Super Season

The winter of 1983-84 had a lot more to offer outdoor enthusiasts than recent years in Medina. Ski Club had a great season for riding the slopes. Unlike last year, both Brandywine and Boston Mills skiers had the chance to ski all but one session which were held on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. From those chancing the bunny hills to the advanced racer, everyone had a good time.

On February 28 two ski teams from Medina competed in the Northern Ohio High School Slalom race. Placing first out of fifteen teams were Jeff Wardell, P.J. King, Chris Smith and John Cavanagh. The second team of Greg Beten, Todd Davies, and Steve Markert, placed a respectable 4th despite skiing with only three members on their team.

This year's winter not only provided winter activities such as snowmobiling, sledding, snow shoveling, ice skating and cross country skiing, but it broke a few records as well. A sudden snow storm, the worst since 1954, in late February and early March, halted Medina and surrounding areas for several days. A three "snow" day break from school was a result that received no complaints.

At the same time one of the hottest concerts of the year, Duran Duran, was scheduled to appear at the Coliseum. Although the concert was a sellout, many seats remained empty as ticket holders decided not to venture into the snow. Diane Hill, one Medina student who did make it to the concert said, "By the time we got to Interstate 71, we couldn't see anything through the snow. Cars were stalling out and some people even tried to walk so they wouldn't miss the concert. On the way home driving conditions were bad, but we made it home, and it was worth it."

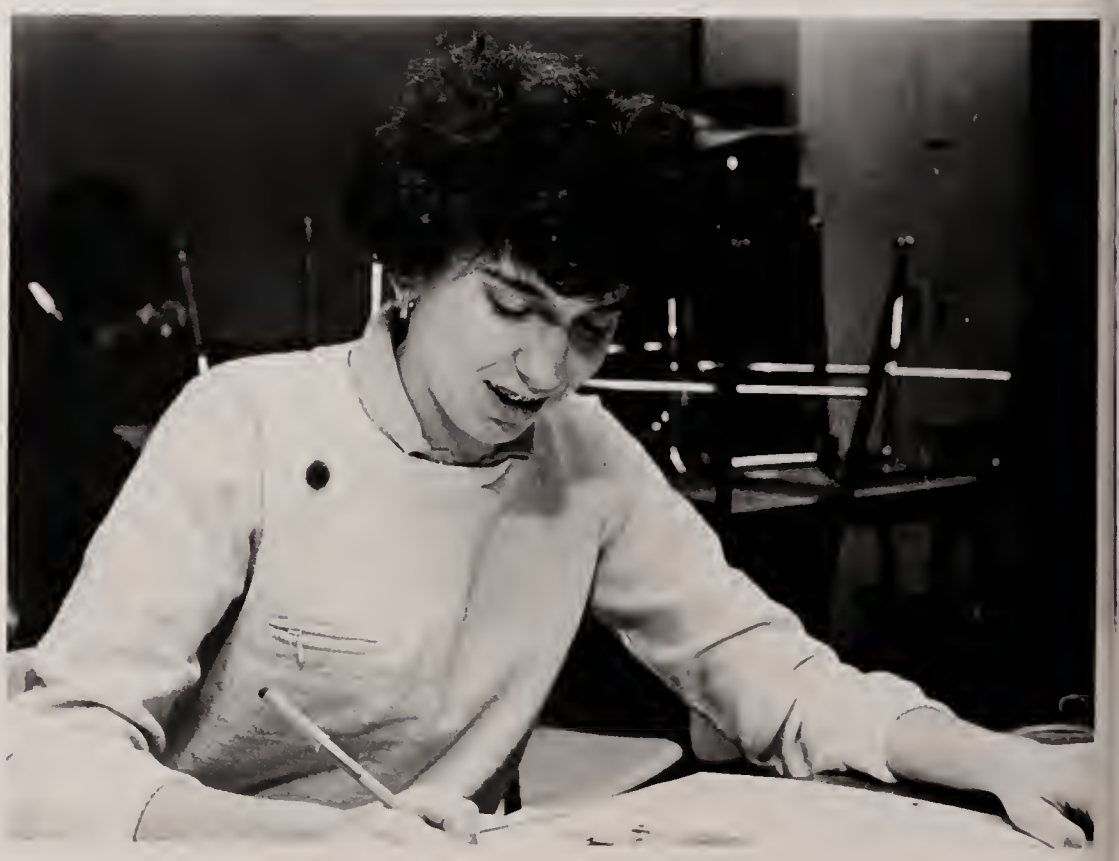
Bad weather not only plagued Northeastern Ohio, but the Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia as well. Many outdoor events had to be cancelled and rescheduled due to blizzard conditions. Despite the frigid temperatures, the US Olympic team had a strong showing and brought home four gold medals and four silver medals.

Those who like to stay indoors had to find other ways to occupy their time. MTV, a good book, or a hot movie, like ***Footloose*** were good ways to keep warm during a cold snap. Overall this winter had plenty of activities for everyone, from the outdoor snow sport enthusiast to the indoor type, but the weather rarely kept anyone from doing what they enjoyed doing most.

Skiers John Cavanagh, Chris Smith, P.J. King, and Jeff Wardell show off their trophy, won when they beat 15 other teams and captured the Northern Ohio championship.

Ski club officers: Row 1: Margaret Murphy, Julie Rataczak, Row 2: Mike Meadows, John Cavanagh; Row 3: Laura Werstak, Kathy Snyder

Medinian Staff Row 1: J. Chidsey (editor), W. Neal, M. Davis, D. Giovinazzo; *Row 2:* N. Smith, K. Hendricks, M. Miller; *Row 3:* J. Coyle, K. Rodgers, M. Blakslee, C. Cody, D. Colonna; *Row 4:* K. Blair, K. Brewer, K. Pethtel, C. Czajka, K. Whalen; *Row 5:* K. Hazelwood, D. Hill, L. Swain; *Row 6:* J. Shields (editor), C. Davis, J. Kumbier, M. Chesney. (Photo by L. Ocepek)



"Our general goal in yearbook is to produce an outstanding memory of the past year. We try to include every person and every event no matter how significant or insignificant it is."

Christy Davis

Ace photographer David Giovinazzo (top right) catches official "chairperson," Kevin Whalen, as he works to meet his daily 2:39 deadline.

Senior Christy Davis searches frantically through the files to find addresses of students who haven't bought their copy of the ***Medinian.*** Over 800 copies of the 1984 book were ordered.

Finding the right pictures for a story is sometimes an impossible job. Here Kristen Blair is shown perfecting a layout.

The Future Is Now

Stylish Innovations Create Classy Book

It's 1984. The Future is Now, and whether Big Brother is watching you or not, the ***Medinian*** staff is.

Hard at work since August 1983, the staff has tried to include more students, more copy, more pictures and more style and design to bring you a high class report of the 1983-84 school year.

To supplement their skills and knowledge, the staff members took a few trips throughout the year. First, seven staff members, Linda Ocepek, and Mary Jane Brewer toured the Herff-Jones yearbook plant in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. A second trip, to Bowling Green State University, was taken for the Great Lakes Interscholastic Press Association's Journalism workshop. There the staff attended sessions dealing with their area of interst in the publications business. After working on layouts, copy, and photography, they were honored by winning the Buckeye Award, the highest award given for the 1982-83 yearbook.

Other trips included frequent runs to the supermarket for pop and munchies to supplement the pizzas that were consumed at Saturday work sessions.

Funding for the yearbook's $26,000 cost comes mainly from advertising and campaign subscriptions. Many hours were spent selling ads and books.

"The Future is Now" book is unique because of its furturistic view, increased tool lines, magazine style layouts and the gatefold pages which set the book apart from any other.

A lot of hard work, fun and games were interspersed throughout the year to keep the staff members from losing their sanity and relieve the pressures caused by coming deadlines. Several incidents caused a laugh to project from room 2110 like when "somebody" lost the keys to the doors, cabinet, and drawers, or when the pop froze and exploded all over the refrigerator.

Also reminiscing about rearranged rooms at Gettysburg caused a laugh to be heard from Kristy Brewer, Christy Davis, Mike Chesney, and Kevin Whalen. Saturday Fire Drills, weekly gossip sessions, and a call for help from two yearbookers stranded without gas on Route 18 all produced giggles.

Putting a yearbook together from assorted photographs, stories, and captions is an extremely tough job. It takes the hard work and dedication of all involved and although time and money often run short, the finished results are well worth our efforts. We hope you enjoy this book as much as we have enjoyed creating it for you.

The "invisible photographer", Dave Colonna, often disappeared for days on end. Enlarging photos, a major part of his job, is of vital importance to the yearbook.

Editor Jennifer Chidsey discusses the underclass layout design with Kristy Brewer and Jill Kumbier.

MEDINAMITE

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Medinamite Modernizes

Who are those maniacs roaming the halls during sixth period? It's the ***Medinamite*** staff, with steno pads in hand, uncovering stories for the next issue.

Editor-in-chief John Bailey led the staff under the supervision of adviser Miss Linda Ocepek. "This ***Medinamite*** staff," said Miss Ocepek, "was cooperative and talented. They put together some of the most interesting issues we have ever had."

The school newspaper in Medina has a long tradition. Started in 1942 with the original name of ***The Spilled Ink,*** the ***Medinamite*** has published continuously since then. This year with the donation of an AMC 9000 Compugraphic typesetting machine, the paper was able to modernize. Staff members learned to typeset their own copy with the machine allowing more time to write updated stories and to include last minute information. In addition the machine saved the $150 per month typesetting costs that were needed before when stories had to be sent away to be typeset.

Investigative reporter Walter Snook discovers the horror that lurks under our desks. (J)

Have You Ever Done It?

by Walter Snook

Have you ever wondered what that multi-colored conglomeration was under your desk? What about the times you've dropped your pencil and actually had to look at that indescribable horror that lurks under all of our desks.

How does it get there? According to a vast majority of the people interviewed, nobody ever sticks gum under their chair. Is this to say that there is a crazed lunatic among us that chews gum by the thousands of pieces by day and by night, penetrates the school's security to satisfy his deranged hunger for sticking gum under chairs and desks? Not likely.

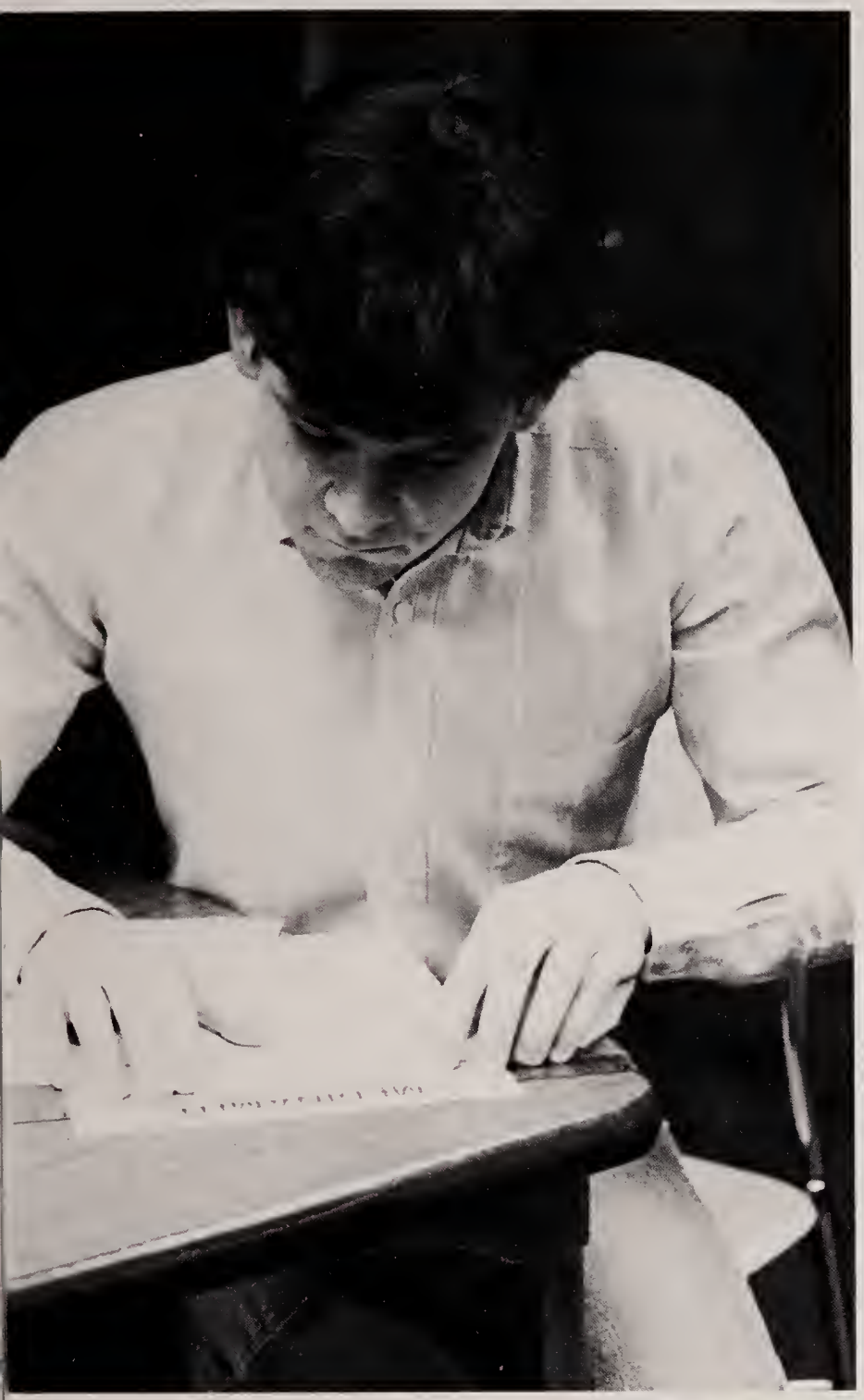
To find the culprit of this devious plot, all we have to do is take a quick look in the mirror. It's time to face up to our guilt. Admit it. How many times have you been sitting in class when finally you realize that the piece of gum in your mouth that was given to you two hours ago has lost all of its appeal? Instead of risking embarrassment by getting up and walking to the front of the class to deposit your gum the respectable way, you decide to use the old slip out of mouth and stick under table method of gum disposal. First you glance right and left. When it is all clear, you reach up and grab your gum out of your mouth and quickly stick it under your desk. At first you may feel a little guilty, but soon figure that "who's gonna care about one little piece of gum?"

The truth is that probably no one would care about one tiny piece of gum, but when you have 1500 kids sticking "one tiny little piece of gum" under their desks, things can become a big mess.

Some students that were subjected to stretching racks and electro-shock treatment did admit they had stuck gum under their desks. Others persisted in their innocence by giving quotes that only reflected a guilty conscience, like this transparent remark made by James Van Rossem, "I don't believe in the destruction of school property. I am always willing to get up and walk the treacherous road to the trash can where I can deposit that flavored elastic substance known as gum." Talk about a guilty conscience.

Undercover I went into room 2103 and began to count little tiny pieces of gum that nobody would ever care about, and out of 36 desks, I found that there were 286 pieces of gum.

If you were to take this as an average, just imagine how much gum is suspended from the desks of this school. So before you finish that piece of gum, think about all those other tiny little pieces of gum nobody would care about, then get up and put it in the garbage can.



Top left — Editor John Bailey often found himself spending extra time after school, putting finishing touches on the latest edition. He said, "Being the editor is not as easy as it might seem. Fortunately, this staff was self-motivated and didn't need as much direction as some others might." (F)

Top right — Lissa Lehman and Ross Lungaro were the first staff members to become proficient in using the ACM 9000 typesetter. The new machine saved typesetting costs of about $150 a month. According to Ross using the typesetter was "hard at first because we made so many mistakes, but once we got past that first issue, it was much easier." (F)

Above middle — Busily preparing a story for the paper, Kris Fedro gets additional information from copy editor Becky Morell. Kris, who was new to Medina this year, enjoyed being on staff because it provides "an excuse to meet people you wouldn't ordinarily meet." (F)

Above — Ace reporters, Donna Payne and Stacy Johnson type furiously in order to meet a deadline. While meeting deadlines was probably the most hectic part of a reporter's job, Stacy said, "It was a good experience and I enjoyed it." (J)

Left — Medinamite Staff Row 1: Z. Jovanovic, S. Johnson, E. LuQuire, W. Imig, C. Graham; *Row 2:* A. Garrett, D. Payne, C. Croucher, C. Heinly, D. Ellinwood; *Row 3:* B. Morell, R. Lungaro, K. Fedro, T. Warner, W. Snook, D. Bachtell (G)

Media Center Club D. Brown, A. Moyer, M. Crooks, C. Richmond, A. Behun, J. Kuhar, D. Stover, D. Fellhoelter, M. Klembarsky, R. Athey, D. Payne. (G)

Athletic Office Aides G. Maxwell, J. McIlvaine, A. Woebkenberg, A. Behun, K. Schultz, H. Yehnert, Mrs. Stephanie McClung, Mr. Rollie Platz. (G)

"The funniest thing that happened to me as an office aide was the day I had to deliver a balloon-a-gram."
Wendi Carroll

Office Aides Row 1: C. Hawkins, N. Lungaro, B. Zisk, M. Blinco, T. Champion, J. Hinkel, T. Kafides, J. Hickey, W. Carroll, A. Schmith; ***Row 2:*** L. Whitaker, R. Deak, K. Pethel, S. Gifford, J. Wardell, J. Kirkham, J. Rog, H. Roose, C. Gaume, B. Frazier. (G)

Student Services

Students Volunteer Time To School

Student volunteers play an important role in helping the school day run smoothly. These students can be found filing, running errands, or sorting books throughout the day. They give their time to the media center, athletic and main offices.

The primary duties of the office aides are to assist the secretaries and counselors. They sort mail, deliver messages and run various errands. Also, office aides assist the principal and guide visitors who come to the office. By giving up their study hall time, this group of students does a great service to the school.

The students involved in Media Center Club make the library a better place to study and make it easier to gain access to various items there. These students return books to the shelves and assist the librarians. But even more noticeable, the media center aides help students to use the resources available. They help students check out books, find information and gain access to microfilms and magazines. The aides also decorate the media center for various events throughout the year. They have made it look festive for all of the holidays and they plan educational games for National Library Week in April.

Because the Media Center Club holds many activities throughout the year, officers are elected. This year's officers were President Cheryl Richmond, Vice President Mary Jude Crooks, Secretary Rhonda Athey, and Treasurer Danelle Brown.

Another hard-working group of students are those who help out in the athletic office. These students assist Athletic Director, Mr. Rollie Platz and his secretary, Mrs. Stephanie McClung, in their daily routine and often can be found running errands and delivering messages.

When not busy with office duties, office aides have the chance to work on homework. Here, Tina Kafides catches up on some work. (B)

Usually the Media Center aides are very busy, but occasionally tbey get a chance to read a newspaper as Renee Palidar is shown doing. (B)

Heidi Yehnert takes a break from her work in the athletic office to catch up on some homework. (B)

OWE

School Plus Work Equal Success

The main goal for students in the Occupational Work Experience (OWE) program is to gain work experience. For the past 15 years Medina has had an outstanding program. Mr. George Calish, one of the OWE instructors said, "I feel our program ranks as one of the best in Ohio. The success can be attributed to the premise upon which the program works, of school first and work second. Also, there is a tremendous working relationship among students, parents, and employers."

OWE is a co-op program where students go to school half of the day and work the rest. Along with academic classes, students attend an OWE class where they are taught necessary skills for every day life. Students learn how to fill out a job application, tax forms, and about health and life insurance.

Mr. Tim Myers, who is also an instructor of the OWE class, commented that, "A lot of the success of the program depends upon the community employers' hiring of the students. This year jobs are much harder to come by because of the increase in the working population." When asked why she became involved in OWE, junior B.J. Butler said, "I'm graduating early next year and this program gave me the opportunity to explore new careers and to be out in the working world."

OWE I member Brad Turk goes to school in the morning and is a RPM driver in the afternoon. He said, "I'm glad to be in the program. It really helped me a lot. I would highly recommend it for the person who isn't interested in college, because it teaches you about the working world."

OWE I Mr. George Calish (instructor) ***Row 1:*** Steve Dotson, Marty Keith, Dale Kemp, Mike Sheck, James Bayne; ***Row 2:*** Darlene Kemp, Joanie Hoar, Maryanna Black, Kathy Leicher, Brad Turk; ***Row 3:*** Glenda Madden, Kim Payne, Jay Erb, Mike Turk, David McKenzie; ***Row 4:*** Pam Knaflich, Rhonda Duke-Hart, Georgia Cart. Not pictured: Candy Dull, Cheryl Durocher (G)

Senior OWE student Candy Dull works part-time job at Woolworth's in the Medina Shopping Center. (B)

Darlene Kemp found working at Sears Surplus store a good way to learn to communicate with others on a business, as well as a social level. (B)

I'm graduating early next year, and this program gave me the opportunity to explore new careers and to be out in the working world."

B.J. Butler

According to Kim Payne, "I've always had an interest in horses and during my one and one half years working for Bowman Stables, I have found I really enjoy working with them." (B)

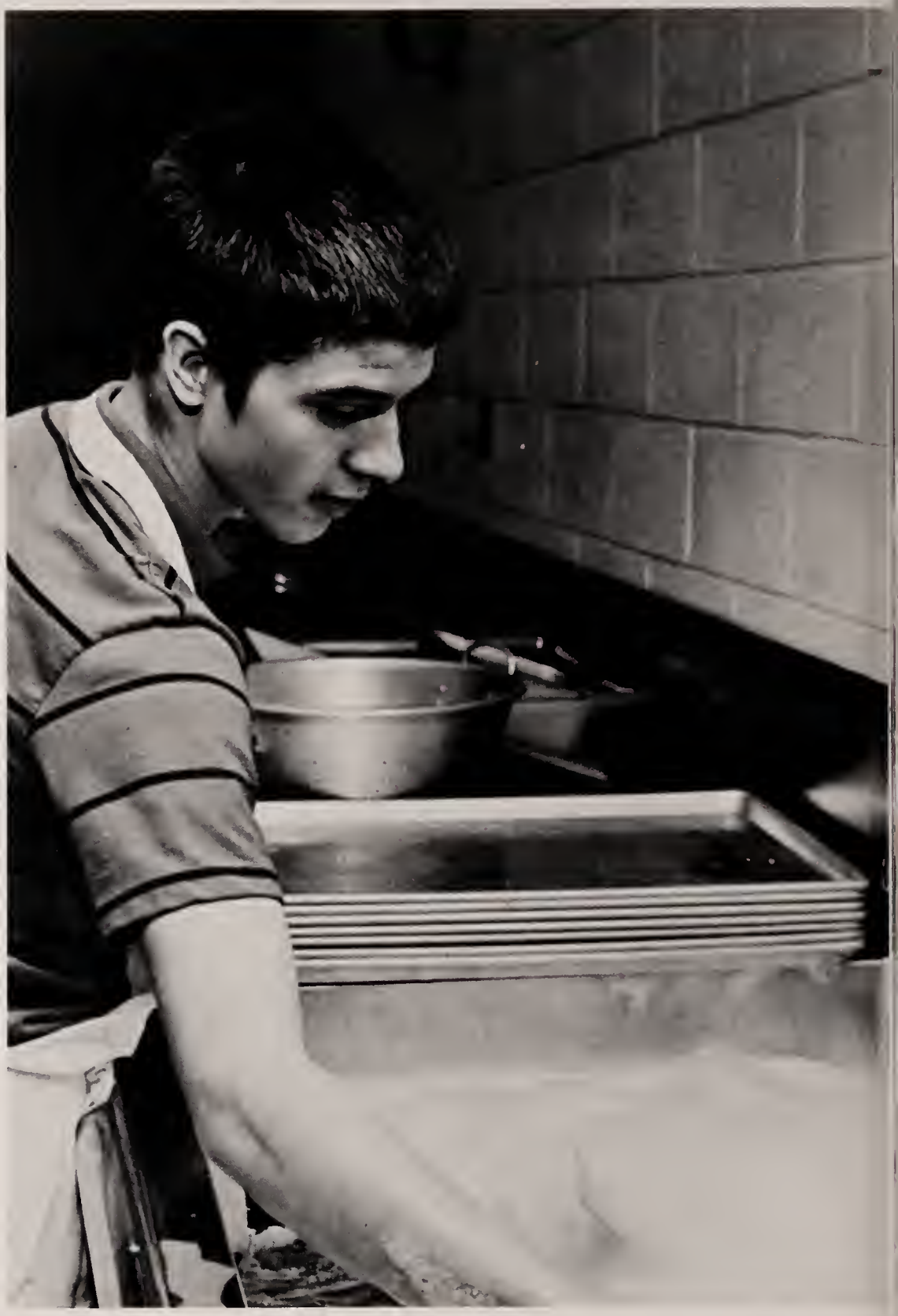
OWE II Mr. Tim Meyers (instructor) *Row 1:* B.J. Butler, Sherry Carrino, Sheila Bayne, Doug Tibbitts; *Row 2:* Brad Auker, Dare Flickinger, Cheryl Maslanka, Connie Sobczak, Kathy Quesada; *Row 3:* Jerry Kaufman, Andy Perrea, Chris Lane, Debbie Capiot, *Row 4:* Brent Flickinger, Tom Hovorka, Scott Churby, Bill Iacano Not pictured: Jason Mathews (G)

OWA

Working World Brings Reality

Beginning in the fall of 1969, Medina'a Occupational Work Adjustment program (OWA) became one of the original ones in Ohio. There are now over 500 programs in the state, divided into five regions, with Medina in the North East section. OWA is coordinated under Distributive Education (DE) and is for fourteen and fifteen year old students. Federal and State laws of employment concerning hours and wages are more restrictive for jobs this age group may have.

Mr. John Keefer, who has been with the OWA program from the beginning, said, "I think it is a worthwhile program for the youth who are disenchanted with the school scene. They begin to find out what it is like in the REAL world, and may I add, some do not like what they see." These students have commited themselves to working as well as studying during the day. Mark Freese expresses their general opinion saying, "Sure, books can prepare a student for the future and work, but I have learned more from working than I ever have from studying."



Many students get jobs within the Medina School System, like OWA student Ron Steiner who works in the cafeteria here at the high school. (A)

OWA Row 1: Marlena Queen, Linda Hankins, Ron Steiner, Scott Davis; ***Row 2:*** Bill Fig, Nancy Willoughby, Tracey Hunt; ***Row 3:*** Mark Freese, Connie Harmon, Rachel Wallace, Kim Liddington, Tony Cool, Keith Marvicsin Not pictured: Tony Stowers, Eric Plute (G)

Work Study

Program Promotes Self Confidence

The work study program is designed for students to obtain practical work experiences while still attending school. The objective is for a student to develop good working habits, recognize personal weaknesses and overcome them, and then become a contributing "first class" citizen.

The program is divided into three sections during a student's high school career. Mr. John Carrick teaches the ninth grade jobs attitude course. The sophomores receive a course about the world of work establishing how to get interviews, how to get along with other employees, and punctuality. This is all to prepare the students to work their junior and senior year.

Mrs. Helen Street who advises and teaches the work study students said, "The students are a very dedicated, responsible group of workers."

The employers work closely with the advisers and fill out a worker evaluation form of the students, based on attendance, punctuality, attitude and job performance. On the basis of this evaluation students receive raises from a starting salary of 50¢ to 75¢ per hour. Holly George comments, "I like working and the teachers, but especially the paycheck! I feel that my jobs are going to help me in the future."

At top — Sherry Sroka does some filing for the Welfare Department at the County Administration building. According to her supervisor Marian Mishler, "The Work Study students are very good workers. They are conscientious with their work and always on the job. Whatever programs we have for them, they willingly try to do." (B)

Cleaning up after lunch was the job of Lisa Watkins. Lisa served as Work Study vice president this year. Other officers included Kathy Tipton, president; secretary Amy McGinnis, and treasurer Roberta Burton. (A)

Work Study Row 1: David Stillman, Larry Robertson, John Coger, Phil Bayless, Dale Savage, Tim Pearson; *Row 2:* Holly George, Paige Menze, Jennifer Boehlien, Sherry Sroka, Lisa Hanshue, Brian Nenozski; *Row 3:* Kathy Lipton, Amy McGinnis, Lisa Watkins, Roberta Burton; *Absent from picture:* Roy Tucker, Yvonne Applegate, Nancy Greminger (C)

Chris Gore, a senior in Environmental Management, gets ready to pay for his lunch in the JVS cafeteria where meals are prepared by the culinary arts students. As part of his course of study, he helps to maintain weather and pollution statistics for the Environmental Protection Agency because the JVS is the Medina County station for the EPA. (J)

"The best advantage of the JVS is the actual hands-on experience, learning a skill, and doing it."

Brenda Hosick

Above — Juniors Tim Krosse and Richard Longacre are hard at work building a roof in the Carpentry I Lab. Seniors from the Carpentry program build a house each year. The class is good experience according to Tim because it will give him the skills to someday open his own business. (J)

Middle — Laura Kessler, a Steno II senior, placed first in the nation last year during the Typing and Related I competition. (J)

Right — During a Student Council visit to the JVS, sophomore Kristy Brewer has her blood pressure checked by Brenda Hosick and Karen Cigahn, both Juniors in Diversified Health Occupations (DHO). Kristy came away impressed by how much like a family the DHO students are. (J)

Joint Vocational School

Celebrating 10 Years Of Achievement

Medina Senior High is not the only school in the county to be celebrating its 10th anniversary. The Medina County Joint Vocational School is also celebrating theirs.

The JVS offers 30 different courses ranging from Animal Care to Truck and Diesel Mechanics. Every student in Medina County has the opportunity to attend the JVS. While freshmen tour the school and visit each class, sophomores have the chance to visit the class of their choice for one day. At the end of the sophomore year every student who wishes to attend the JVS fills out an application.

Sixty seven juniors and 61 seniors attend the JVS from Medina. Most of the students feel a lot closer to the rest of their classmates. Each class is together for a total of 4½ hours every day. The theory class is 1½ hours and the lab part is 3 hours long. During theory class students study the technology of the program they are in along with science and math. The lab part of the program involves actual hands-on experience using modern tools of business and industry.

Senior Dave Lynch, a Masonary II student, said that the JVS will help better his plans for the future through hands-on experience and job placement. Seniors have a chance to work for local businesses improving the skills already learned as juniors.

Another senior Laura Kessler, a Steno II student, placed first in the nation as a junior when her class went to Chicago for competition in Typing and Related I. She feels that the JVS offers her the training she needs to become a good secretary.

Most of the students at the JVS have one thing in common, the fact that hands-on experience will help benefit their future.

Senior Tom Huth (above) shows how to roll a perm in cosmotology. Although this program is traditionally one for women, no JVS program is limited to one sex or another. Students of both sexes are encouraged to enter any and all programs. (J)

Junior Mitch Reinhardt takes a break in Culinary Arts I. With the knowledge he gains from this class, Mitch will have career opportunities in many food-related jobs in the future. (J)

Memories

Favorite Times They Left Behind

Everyone carries away a favorite memory from high school and JVS students have the opportunity to remember things about their home school as well as the JVS. Some seniors named a few of their best memories.

Jim Thompson: Being with friends.
Mary Garrison: The State F.F.A. Convention
Laura Kessler: Going to Nationals and winning first!
Barrien Massey: All the lovely girls I left behind.
Dana Smith: All of the cute guys at the JVS.
Sheryl Collins: Going to Columbus with my class and participating in state competition.
Lisa Fisher: Being enrolled in the JVS and the field trip we took to Columbus for a hair show.
Jon Smerick: Skipping it.
Ron LaSocha: Becoming friends with Linda Kafides. She helps a lot of people.
Debbie Dunn: My best memory of high school was when I was elected OOEA Region A Secretary for the 1983-84 season.
Tom Huth: My best memory of high school was the state cosmetology show in Columbus.
Marlene Hopkins: Meeting Kenny.
Greg Hyde: Key Club

Seniors also mentioned some of their favorite teachers: Mr. Klineck, Mr. Snell, Mr. Thorn, Mr. Sabatina, Mrs. Hoover, Mr. Glaze, Mr. Hathaway, Mr. Shuman, Mr. Frank, Mrs. Ensign, Mrs. Belt, Mr. Bolonga, Mrs. Bell, Mr. Pallini, Miss Ocepek, Mr. Reidel, Mr. Tisher, Mr. Osterland, and Mr. Houghtaling.

Above — One person who'll know what to do if his car ever breaks down is John Buzco, enrolled in Auto Mechanics at the JVS. (J)

(Top) For Jim Thompson and other culinary arts students, the classroom is the kitchen. (Right) Someday hoping to be a professional artist is commercial art student Cathy Colson seen painting a project for class. (J)

Before doing the real thing, cosmetology students such as Carol Steele spend lots of hours practicing on models. (J)

Life at the JVS isn't all hands-on experience as Junior Kevin Luquire learns while sitting in the classroom waiting for class to begin. (J)

"My best memory of high school comes from my sophomore year when I found out I was accepted to the JVS."
Nancy Bradley

For those students who find an interest in drafting, the JVS offers a more thorough program than that at the high school so some students such as Greg Hyde opt for the JVS. (J)

Running a beauty shop is more than just styling hair as Dina Rutti finds out while working the reception desk at the JVS hair salon. (J)

ACADEMICS

Aside from the sports, clubs, and activities which keep so many students busy, the real reason for attending school is academics. Planning for the future should be done while in high school and selecting courses which will pertain to your future plans is easy at Medina because of the wide variety of courses offered here.

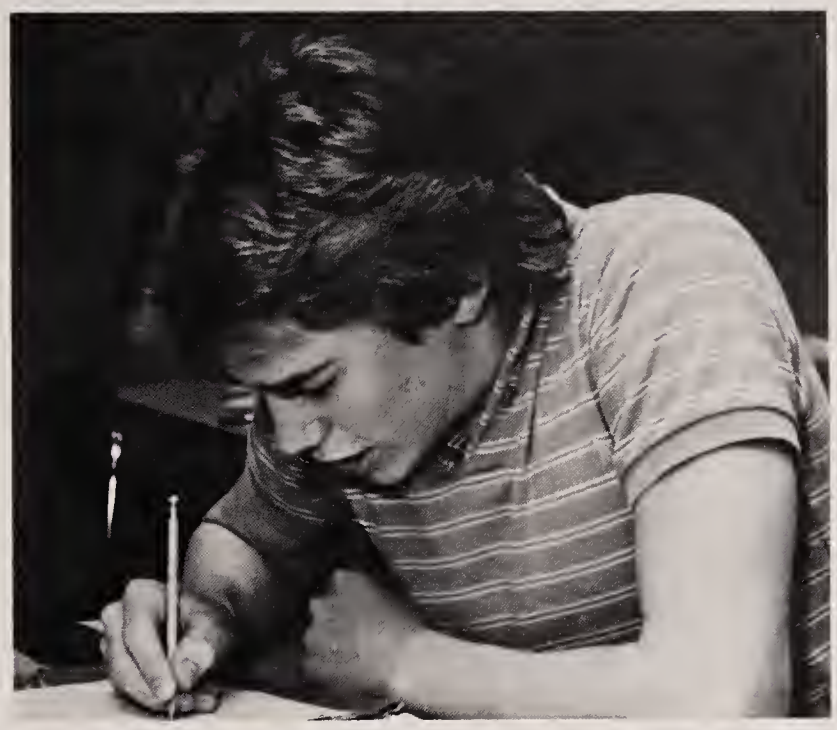
Taking the usual courses such as math, English, and science along with the other required courses is a must for any student who plans on graduating. Elective classes allow students to choose how they would like to fill the remaining part of their schedule.

Many students balance their schedules with both types of classes and still leave themselves time to participate in sports, extracurricular activities, and after school jobs. Self descipline becomes a very important term for the more active high school students. A large part of this is learning how to use your time wisely. Junior Karen Zemnickas, who takes honors classes, holds a job, and is a member of many school activities said, "Although I enjoy being in many activities, I always keep in mind that academics is the most important part of high school and I plan my schedule around my school work."

At right — Scott Hidden enjoys the new experience of archery in Mr. Houghtaling's gym class. Scott commented, "I even hit the target that time."

The best part of biology for Cathy Kennedy is dissecting. "I especially like cutting up the crayfish," she replied.

Part of the sophomore composition curriculum is learning to use the library. Here Mike Faschian puts these skills to work.



Stirring paint to be applied to her clay project in Art I is Mary Mahoney. Her project will appear in the Arts Festival.

Tim Lewarchick struggles with Algebra word problems which he feels are the hardest ones, "because it's almost impossible to figure them out."

Scheduling is the beginning of academic life for students at Medina. Here at self-scheduling, students choose and arrange the classes they want for the coming year.

Working on Algebra is difficult according to Diane Madsen, but getting it finished in class leaves time for ACT, track, and ski club.

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. . . it's necessary that people know how to use computers. Besides computers keep people off the streets.

Ms. Marilyn Cross
Math Department Head

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Freshman Bill Doraty finds out that studying is an important part of high school because in the long run it will result in his future.

Practicing one of the most important skills of the future-computers-is Senior Brian Scott.

Students involved in the tutorial program of Project Think include: *Row 1:* S. Gifford, R. Deak, J. LeBlanc, L. Buckloh, S. Johnson, C. DeWalt, D. Ellinwood, D. Felice; *Row 2:* Y. Fuller, M. Harper, M. Cragar, C. Davis, C. Luneke, S. Fish, L. Felice, T. Beaulieu, K. Pethtel, S. Codding, S. Graber. Project Think is a program which allows high school students to tutor children at the elementary schools.

Preparation For Future Begins Today

Careers in the past few years have gone through drastic changes. The advancements in computer technology have been so great that a whole new range of jobs has been created. As Ms. Marilyn Cross, head of the Math Department points out, "Almost every kind of job there is, now involves computers in some way so it's necessary that people know how to use them. Besides, computers keep people off the streets."

However, the computer area is not the only field that has expanded. In the next few years the most popular fields will include the Information Industry, the computer and Robotics Industries, Health Careers, and the opening of personal businesses.

Almost every course offered at Medina can some day be beneficial, from calculas to home economics, psychology to chemistry. And by taking some of the courses *now* that you may need later in college, you may be able to cut some of the costs involved in further education. Little things, too, such as being involved in Project Think, the tutorial program, can help when preparing to enter the field of your choice. Even if your future plans for after high school don't include college, the courses you take now will become vital once you graduate.

Preparing For Life

How does high school prepare you for a career? Senior ***Kelly Kopfstein*** had some answers.

Q. ***Have the classes at Medina Senior High helped you start preparing for the career you want to go into? How?***

A. "Yes. All the classes here have helped me, because from speech clear through to Senior Review, they helped rid me of my nervousness while also helping me with the grammatical part of English."

Q. ***Did you plan your classes around the career you've chosen?***

A. "Well, when I started high school I took the required courses plus a few additional English ones because I've always enjoyed it, but in the last two years, I have geared my schedule toward the field I'm interested in."

Q. ***Are you planning on going into one of the five major fields of the future?***

A. "No, I'm planning on going into law, but I feel that some education in one of those fields, especially computer, would be a great help to me."

A pensive Mr. Neal Chesney listens to two guest speakers discuss the horrors of nuclear war.

"I chose to attend college because it's a chance to start my own life. I can do what I want, and have the independence I've always wished for."

Cheryl Heinley

Leigh-Ann Lethco and Joe Obermeier are just two of many seniors who are striving towards college. Joe will attend Case Western Reserve University for pre-dentistry and Leigh-Ann plans to study music therapy at Ohio University.

Peering through a microscope will be one technique Debbie Miller will know how to do well before she heads off to college.

Sophomore Dean States concentrates so hard in his classes that he needs two notebooks to take down important information.

College Ahead For Medina Grads

For many graduating students at Medina a logical next step in further education is to attend college. The class of 1984 is no exception with about 75% planning to attend college.

To get a jump on entrance requirements, which are becoming more selective, most students start out high school with an academic curriculum. In addition to the standard required courses many freshmen take a foreign language, history or take classes in the arts department. As the years go by, and less courses are required, most college bound students find themselves concentrating on the sciences, math and English. Business related courses in typing and shorthand are also helpful.

Currently Medina requires 17 credits for graduation, but this is, of course, a minimum. Most colleges are looking for high caliber students with good academic records and participation in extracurricular activities.

An important consideration for the college bound student is the type of school, the costs, and the years you plan to spend. Many colleges offer two year degrees as opposed to four years or more.

If you are college bound be sure to consider all of the options that various schools offer and explore those which interest you. With good planning and a little determination it can be your best investment.

As freshmen, future plans seem far away, but Harold Burgdorfer and Dawn Kumbier settle down to make the most of their study time.

Preparing herself wisely for the future, Mary Ebeling works hard in her math class. Mary said she wants to attend Miami University after her high school graduation.

College Degree Aids Job Search

Why are you going to college? Senior Shelly Sabo had some answers.

Q. Why do you feel college is an important part of your future?

A. Anymore, if you want to be successful in life, college is the only answer. Hundreds of people are out of work and fighting for the same jobs. A person with a college degree is more apt to get a job over a person who doesn't have the degree.

Q. What are you looking for in a college?

A. I'm looking for a college that offers an excellent education in the field in which I decide to go into. The college must be able to offer a substantial amount of financial aid.

Q. What do you think that you can achieve in college that you couldn't if you just started out working?

A. In college I can achieve a higher degree of training in business. Without some type of educational background in this field, it would be awfully difficult to find a job that would pay a substantial amount.

Beth Van Hoose, a sophomore, uses all her thinking ability to help her pass her classes which will be useful for future college plans.

Practical Courses Enhance Education

Many practical courses, which can enhance a student's education, are offered in the MHS curriculum. A practical course is a class which teaches a student skills needed for life after high school. Included in the list of practical courses are home economics, industrial arts, and English and math courses.

Home economics courses help to teach many necessary skills. In these classes students learn to cook and sew as well as many other domestic skills. Junior Karlene Rodgers commented, "I think everyone needs to take a home ec course in order to survive on their own."

Industrial Arts courses also teach many practical skills such as working with woods and metals and the basic mechanics of an automobile. Drafting courses can help to prepare a student for a career in engineering.

The business courses are designed to give the student a basic understanding of the business world. Students can learn typing, shorthand, and notehand. Also, there are book and recordkeeping classes offered for students.

English and math differ from the other practical courses in that they are college preparatory but, like the others, they provide practical skills. In English classes students can acquire writing skills which can be useful throughout life. Math provides students with the knowledge of many necessary mathematic concepts.

All of these practical courses provide students with valuable skills. They also can provide an alternative for many students who don't wish to enter college right out of high school.

Showing the lighter side to Home Ec class, Carol Kirschling prepares another delectable masterpiece. (at right)

Art major, Benji Sutandar takes a break to glance at the photographer.

Practical Courses Beneficial

What do practical courses have to offer? Senior Denise Yarman has some answers.

Q. ***Do you feel the practical courses in high school are valuable? Why?***

A. Yes. A lot of students do not get the chance to learn even the basics of cooking and sewing at home and these courses give them an opportunity to learn at least a little about each of these courses.

Q. ***Does the fact that you took practical courses in high school change your decision on going to college?***

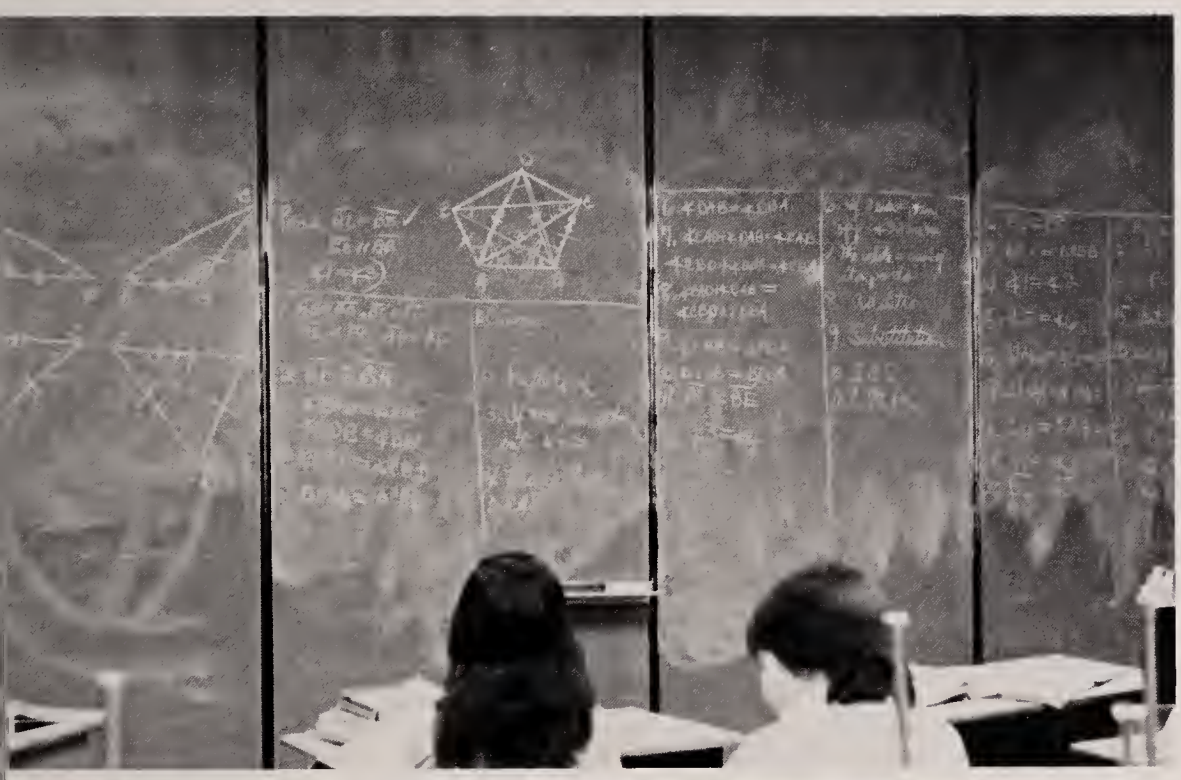
A. No, the practical courses did not effect my decision. Although the practical courses were very beneficial to me for my future. Everyone needs to know how to handle domestic situations.

Q. ***What practical course have you taken and do you think it will help you in the future?***

A. I have taken non-major foods and have learned how to budget time when preparing a meal and how to compare different brands to get the better product.

"My mom said she would not let me out of the house without taking a cooking course. Besides, I decided I could not live for 5 years on bologna sandwiches."

John Meier



Using study hall time efficiently to complete a homework assignment is junior Scott Dix. Scott is also involved in baseball and basketball.

According to Mr. Denni Interliggi, "In the history of MHS honors geometry this is the longest proof ever! 5 boards plus 34 steps." How did he know that it was right? "I have never been wrong, yet."

Instead of having Maaco do the job, Mike Schoen does it on his own in auto maintenance class.

One of the main reasons Chris Kelley enjoys art is because you can really get involved in your work.

Choir Rates Superior

We worked hard and it showed!

Talent, determination, and striving to be the very best are qualities found in the much praised Concert Choir. "The highest of all choral music is Concert Choir," stated a proud director Mr. Mark Hutsko. "It takes dedication, vocal ability, and an understanding of music to be elected to this all-around bunch of good singers."

For years the group has gone to contest and come back with high ratings. They also perform for audiences during Showtime, the musical, and many are found in Spice.

A division of Concert Choir is the sixteen member troup called Top Hat Entertainment. "This group is able to explore and study and learn pop music," said Hutsko. He went on to explain. "They must be able to take the music, put it into show form with acting, dancing, and staging to entertain ages yound and old."

Senior Eric Whitnable commented on the company. "I love to entertain people and have fun doing it. With Top Hat I get pleasure out of seeing the audience laugh and have a good time."

Concert and Top Hat both extended themselves in concerts, productions and contests. This year Concert Choir received a superior rating at State Contest.

"I was surprised and excited about the whole event," said first year member Heidi Dzur. "It was a thrill for our choir to receive a superior rating. We worked hard and it showed."

Mary Beth Duta

"The most important part of choir is the friendships and good times that come from a hard working organization."

Top Hatters Liz Cypher, Alison Crooks, and Wendy Hamrick (at top) join together in a blend of voices to a classical Kirby Shaw melody. (C)

Juniors Debbie Harrel and Jean McDade show off their winning smiles to indicate the fun that choir really offers. "Concert is a hard working choir, but we do have great times," said Harrel. (A)

During third period rehearsal, Jenny McIntyre studies the music score that Concert Choir will be performing at the Spring festival. (A)

Concert Choir Row 1: M. Kobak, M. Liu, L. Cypher, M. Glauner, C. Bluebaugh, L. Paladino, E. Krepp, M. Haney, K. Fennell, R. Kramer, A. Crooks, W. Hamrick, J. McDade, C. Luneke; ***Row 2:*** J. McIntyre, D. Harrell, J. Kohanski, W. Imig, L. Letcho, J. Bailey, C. Miller, M. Eaken, T. Gareffa, S. Luxon, E. Herman, A. Gasser, D. Zurell, L. Kramer, K. Rebescher; ***Row 3:*** W. Weber, J. Frantz, A. Garrett, J. Labbe, L. Macun, B. Zisk, S. Krutsch, R. Wingfield, T. Gianvito, E. Whitnable, B. Kiley, S. Shaw, J. Navratil, J. Schaefer, C. DeWalt, H. Dzur, L. Laribee; ***Row 4:*** M. Duta, J. Oberholtzer, B. Morell, B: Chaney, M. Cragar, S. Conder, B. Whitmarsh, S. Sanford, B. Ensor, C. Keehn, S. Elligott, D. Niedzwiecki, C. Hofmeister, S. Pull, K. Snyder, J. Ratajczak (G)

Top Hat Entertainment Co. Front Row: Andrea Gasser, Eric Herman, Wendy Hamrick, Matt Eaken; ***Middle Row:*** Dawn Zurell, Chad Miller, Liz Cypher, Eric Whitnable, Jacquie Navratil, Corey Keehn, Alison Crooks, Wendy Imig; ***Back Row:*** Steve Conder, Margie Kobak, Steve Luxon, Jackie Labbe (G)

Evening rehearsals were a weekly practice for members of Top Hat Entertainment (at top). Hard working members Andrea Gasser, Eric Herman, Margie Kobak, Corey Keehn, and Jackie Labbe get the feel of new music as Mr. Mark Hutsko plays it. (C)

Karin Rebescher (above) glances through the many pieces of music she has learned this year. (A)

Three year choir member Donna Luffman (junior) enjoys singing in varsity choir. "I like it," she said, "I think it's a good experience." Next to Donna is Luan Lind (senior) and Dawn Kuenzer (junior). Varsity Choir met every day sixth period.

At top on opposite page — During a 7 a.m. practice, members of men's ensemble give up a little extra sleep in order to perfect a song. Pictured are Mr. Mark Hutsko, director, Chad Miller, Chuck Hofmeister, and Eric Woebkenberg.

At bottom left on opposite page — Members of vocal ensemble warm up during 7th period with strenuous vocal exercises and a soothing massage to take away the tension. Kristen Blair and Kelli Morrison are pictured.

Medina Men's Chorus Front Row: Lance Paladino, Steve Conder, Eric Herman, Steve Luxon, Scott Krutsch, Matt Eaken; ***Row 2:*** Karl Fennell, Corey Keehn, Tony Gianvito, Brian Kiley, Dave Niedzwiecki, Eric Whitnable, Chad Miller; ***Back Row:*** Bruce Whitmarsh, Bob Ensor, Chuck Hofmeister, Scott Elligott, Eric Woebkenberg, Eric Krepp

Varsity Choir Row 1: B. Labbe, K. Tuma, H. Tu, B. Klein, A. Musolf, H. Muha, L. Waybright, M. Kurilich, C. Williams, J. Hickey, D. Gross, F. Geric, P. Dunbrack, A. Ingraham, M. Martin; ***Row 2:*** W. Markley, B. Finger, M. Klein, K. Lavan, D. Luffman, M. Owen, K. Freeman, C. Kemp, B. Ott, S. Fuller, J. Hough, M. Davis, B. Duffy, J. Harper; ***Row 3:*** L. Hendrickson, K. Stanley, D. Dague, D. Kuenzer, A. Arehart, L. Gissinger, A. Vanuch, S. Callahan, J. Griffor, K. Swaddell, A. Gunner, A. Behun, R. Athey, T. Robson, M. Haumesser; ***Row 4:*** A. Cloud, J. Klingman, L. Lind, A. Cutlip, A. Schmith, T. Tumlin, A. Woebkenberg, D. Benner, E. Woebkenberg, P. Griffor, E. Colburn, M. Kress, L. Gaynor, S. Mackin, D. Segbers

Freshman Choir Row 1: A. McGinnis, J. Ranaudo, S. Frazier, M. Ducar, K. Riddick, K. Henighan, J. Tischke, D. Stover, D. Watson, R. Harney, S. Benson, L. Schaefer, D. Palmquist, S. Giles, L. Weyer, J. Tuma, L. Graven, B. DiClemente; ***Row 2:*** A. Wong, R. Barengo, S. Smith, K. Tucker, L. Soto, M. Callahan, S. Kalister, S. Albrecht, H. Daugherty, S. Wincup, A. Tu, C. Templin, D. Blinco, L. Melzer, B. Walth, J. Rog, S. Beard, D. Kumbier; ***Row 3:*** M. Deputy, M. Schultz, V. Friedline, S. Menze, J. Luquire, B. Baka, K. Nichols, A. Whitnable, J. Brown, V. Kozlowski, J. Downing, J. Ebner, J. Kuhar, M. Swank, V. Sweeney, J. Johnson, L. Evans, A. Parker, B. George; ***Row 4:*** B. Kiley, M. Wilson, A. Hoover, A. Hawkins, J. Poorman, R. Dague, S. Wieder, B. Dietrichs, H. Burgdorfer, G. Lipscomb, K. Dodge, T. Costello, K. Hogrefe, J. Barnes, W. Payne, M. Visiljevich, L. Watkins, V. Phillip, K. Beane, L. Strasser

Choirs Hit A High Note

Hutsko Trains Young Voices

The final four choirs, Activity, Varsity, Vocal, and a new addition, Men's Ensemble contribute a musical balance to round out the choirs.

Activity Choir, made up completely of freshmen, learns beginning techniques of blending tone and producing vibrato. "I don't like the usage of "activity" for representing the freshman choir," stated Mr. Mark Hutsko, choir director. "It makes it look as if the students gather together and goof off. That's far from the actual concept. The freshman choir is a group of young performers that forge ahead to become the very best."

After their freshmen year sophomores, juniors, and seniors may try out for the varsity choir which is a training group and is sometimes used as a stepping stone for entrance into concert choir.

Said Mr. Hutsko, "Varsity Choir has a tremendous amount of potential to excel in the musical field." This year they also stepped into the community spotlight at St. Francis to perform a Mass.

Vocal Ensemble, 18 select girls from the ranks of Varsity Choir, has the room to develop their talents in a one to one basis with the director. "With ensemble there is more individual help because it is a smaller group," commented sophomore member Jenny Redick.

A new group this year is the men's ensemble. Mr. Hutsko described them. "They are a great bunch of guys who drag themselves half awake to practice at 7 a.m. every couple of days."

All of the groups mentioned are involved in the major choir production of the spring season called Showtime. In addition to concerts Vocal and Men's Ensemble performed numbers for the variety show Spice.

"I feel good about singing. It's as if I'm sending a special message to the listeners in the audience."

Laura Lucht

Vocal Ensemble Row 1: Kristen Blair, Gail Riddleburgh, Stacy Kassebaum, Peggy Segbers, Kari Chaney, Cathi Hotes, Laura Lucht; *Row 2:* Sue Blair, Chris Price, Lisa Finley, Kelli Morrison; *Row 3:* Kim Davey, Amy Feucht; *Row 4:* Sandi Laliberte, Becky Moon; *Row 5:* Jenny Redick, Kim Wolfe

Dedication, Hard Work

Pay Off For Orchestra

Made up of over thirty members, the Medina High Orchestra is one of the fine string instrumental groups directed by Mr. Kenneth Sanford. "Orchestra is a challenge," stated sophomore Jill Harper. "The work is tough and the practices are long, but in the end all of it pays off."

"Hard work is what makes a real musician," commented Julie Ratajczak, a senior who has been playing the cello for a number of years. Without all of this hard work the orchestra might not have been able to capture an excellent rating at the District contest.

Sophomore drummer Deanna Dague decided to play the drums in 5th grade because her father played. She enjoys the concerts because she's in a lot of musical groups. "I like running around backstage getting ready for my next performance in another group."

Others agreed that they enjoyed orchestra. "It's a good feeling when you accomplish something such as a musical piece," said sophomore Kari Chaney.

"I've been playing the violin for almost five years, and I find that each year I learn more and more," said Tim Deeter, sophomore and second violinist.

From other comments made by the members of orchestra, it can be said that time, patience, skill, and musical ability are necessary to have an outstanding group.

Matt Griffor

"Being Concert Master is a great honor. I direct when Mr. Sanford's absent and I tune the instruments."

Sophomore Kari Chaney and senior Matt Griffor (above) combine their violin talents to add a touch of originality to the classical piece. (A)

Practice makes perfect every day first period for Concert Master Matt Griffor and first violinist Kathy Snyder. (B)

First violinist senior Cindy Bluebaugh concentrates on playing the music to perfection with the help of director Mr. Sanford. (A)

Full Orchestra Violin I: M. Griffor, K. Snyder, D. Felice, K. Chaney, K. Davey, B. Morell, S. Elligott, C. Bluebaugh; ***Violin II:*** M. Kruggel, L. Richwine, J. Peterson, K. Cassel, J. Harper, R. Jayaswal, T. Deeter; ***Viola:*** R. Deak, M. Filer, P. Starcher, K. Burke, W. Slepecky, R. Bell, N. Taft; ***Violon Cello:*** J. Labbe, B. Greinke, P. Bohanon, M. Hollopeter, J. Ratajczak; ***ContraBass:*** E. Herman, N. Lanzer, D. Mardovin; ***Flute:*** K. Rebescher, J. Kennedy, C. Leland; ***Clarinet:*** S. Gifford, C. Chen; ***Bass Clarinet:*** Joan Saucier; ***Bassoon:*** Sharon Cody; ***Saxophone:*** B. Lee, S. Kinstle; ***French Horn:*** A. Buchanan, J. Schaefer; ***Trumpet:*** L. Lethco, M. Creadon; ***Trombone:*** K. Gibson, P. Braun, J. Obermeier; ***Percussion:*** T. Robson, D. Dague, L. Schaefer (G)

String Orchestra Row 1: C. Bluebaugh, K. Burke, S. Elligott, M. Kruggel, L. Richwine, J. Peterson, R. Bell, T. Deeter; ***Row 2:*** E. Herman, J. Labbe, M. Hollopeter, P. Bohanon, B. Greinke, R. Deak, K. Chaney, R. Jayaswal, N. Taft, W. Slepecky, J. Lynham; ***Row 3:*** M. Griffor, K. Snyder, B. Morell, K. Cassel, M. Filer, D. Felice, K. Davey, J. Harper, P. Starcher, Mr. Sanford, D. Mardovin, N. Lanzer (missing from picture: Julie Ratajczak) (G)

At top left — Mary Hollopeter, one of the four celloists in the orchestra, polishes up on the final contest piece that earned the group an excellent rating. (B)

At top — middle — sophomore Paul Braun, a trombonist in the full orchestra, "enjoys entertaining people with the sound of his music." (C)

Celloists sophomore Ben Greinke and senior Jackie Labbe rehearse a number on stage during first period. (B)

"Playing the bass relaxes me," said senior Eric Herman. Eric has been playing the bass since 5th grade. (C)

Freshman David Steirer concentrates on playing the music before him. "The tuba is a great instrument. Not many have the wind for it," he explained.

Sophomore Rod Frysinger, along with other members of the band, finds satisfaction in playing an instrument.

Freshman Sue Brenneman practices a new piece on her flute during Concert Band.

Concert Band Row 1: J. LeBlanc, J. Seeley, N. Brown, L. Buckloh, K. Baisch, J. Haydn, M. Duta, N. Holt, L. Greer, M. Ebeling; *Row 2:* B. Vanuch, D. Yarman, K. Fennell, D. Miller, L. Moon, K. Rau, L. Kelly, M. Klein, M. McChaney, L. Moucha, D. Giovinazzo, A. Moyer, D. Madsen, S. Breneman; *Row 3:* S. Short, S. Scott, S. Cunningham, A. Ruprecht, K. Collins, K. Rabung, A. Hinojosa, P. Sheets, L. Hendrickson, O. Harrison, F. Harrison, L. Wallace, J. Smith, S. Patry, B. Dague; *Row 4:* K. Thornton, M. Reber, M. McGinnis, B. Reynolds, S. Beard, J. Graber, M. Jackson, M. Thomas, B. Marchand, D. McMarlin, R. Freysinger, M. Barnett, J. Harvey, M. McBride, T. Minton, S. Lucht, L. Zinsky, S. Giles, W. Fesser, T. Dryer; *Row 5:* J. Oberholtzer, S. Saunders, P. Crooks, P. Selmants, M. Grabowski, D. Dague, S. Cornell, M. Canfield, C. Kolesar, D. Steier, T. Jones; *Absent:* Becksy Judkins, Mary Kurlich, Heidee Tomes, Michelle Houser.

Impressive Ratings
Set Concert Band At The Top

Like choir, band is a time consuming organization that calls for talent, musical skill, and the willingness to sacrifice free time to become the very best.

Concert band is only one of four such instrumental groups that give up other interests to perfect their musical style. "Concert band has been a very hard working group this year," stated director Gary Ciulla who also directs the StarDusters. "We set several personal goals for ourselves and we were able to achieve most of them."

This year at the District Contest, Concert Band received three II's on the stage and an impressive I in the sight reading to tally an overall rating of a II.

"This band is a stepping stone to higher bands, but the experience in each band is basically the same but on a different level," said sophomore Sheryl Patry, first year band member.

Mr. Ciulla summed up. "I enjoy rehearsing with these talented young students. Not a day goes by that in some way they impress me."

"When I'm nervous before a concert I just let the music take control and I feel myself begin to relax."

Beth Vanuch

Precision and timing are key factors in any section of the band. "It seems as if everyone plays the clarinet," exclaimed sophomore Dana Miller. (at top)

"***Playing the drums*** satisfies a need," said sophomore Paul Selmants. Paul's been keeping the beat for five years when he picked up the drums in elementary school.

Awaiting Mr. Ciulla's next command is French horn player Doug McMarlin.

Inexperience Shows

But Practice Strengthens Potential

This year the Symphonic Band experienced a semi-crisis. Young members. However, this didn't stop the band from receiving an excellent rating at the district contest. Not only did they perform at contest, but they also participated in the Christmas and Spring festivals.

"Although the band was composed of younger students this year, I felt that they had a lot of potential to be as good as they wanted to be," commented band President, senior Leigh-Ann Lethco.

Junior Susie Kinstle added, "Symphonic Band is a good experience because most of the people that are in it enjoy the music and like working together."

Symphonic Band is directed by Ms. Nancy McNeal.

Another outstanding instrumental group is the Stardusters.

"The Stardusters are a real pleasure to work with," said director Mr. Gary Ciulla. "We run over rehearsals in a very relaxed setting. I enjoy having the opportunity to work with some of our finest players in the jazz medium."

To be in the group students from Concert and Symphonic Band must audition for an instrumental position. The Stardusters perform at the local concerts, Spice and Showtime.

Bruce Lee

"The feeling I get from playing a solo in front of an audience is something I never want to lose hold of."

Junior Sue Gifford (at top) plays first clarinet in Symphonic Band. "This is my first year in Symphonic and I found that it's a great group."

Performing at Spice is StarDusters including Joe Obermeier, Kurt Gibson, Mike Creadon, Amy Giovinazzo, and Scott Shaw. Said Gibson, "Stardusters is special from the other bands.

Senior Leigh-Ann Lethco, President of Symphonic Band and an overall tremendous trumpet player is caught in a moment of relaxation.

Sophomore Becky Judkins relaxes a bit during the hectic after school practice of Stardusters.

Freshman Joe Ebner, sax player for Symphonic Band and Stardusters, practices the basic scale during class.

Freshman Joan Saucier enjoys playing bass clarinet in Symphonic Band. She says, "there are many different styles of music to learn from. It's also a great challenge."

Symphony Band Row 1: K. Rebescher, J. Kennedy, C. Leland, L. DeLuca, A. Livingston, B. Ford, L. Holt, D. Thornton, L. Werstak, ***Row 2:*** S. Gifford, C. Chen, R. Barengo, T. Heim, S. Kenat, J. Saucier, S. Koppes, S. Cody, S. Kinstle, J. Ebner, L. Gerhart, B. Lee, K. Wolfe, K. Maupin, J. Schafer, A. Buchanan; ***Row 3:*** B. Chaney, K. Estock, A. Darner, A. Feucht, S. Jaklitsch, W. Weber, B. Frazier, C. Cody, K. Zemnickas, A. Giovinazzo, T. Moody, M. Creadon, L. Lethco, S. Shaw, W. Hamrick, K. Ferguson, T. Wass, M. Haney, R. Stratman, K. Gibson, J. Obermeier, P. Braun, C. McGehee; ***Row 4:*** B. Waybright, T. Robson, A. Phillips, C. Glover, C. Rogers, L. Schaefer, J. Bock; ***Absent:*** L. Miller, D. Sabo, C. Cornell

Stardusters: Row 1: S. Patry, B. Lee, S. Kinstle, J. Ebner, J. Smith, L. Schaefer, C. Glover, C. Chien; ***Row 2:*** J. Obermeier, K. Gibson, C. McGehee, P. Braun; ***Row 3:*** L. Lethco, M. Creadon, A. Giovinazzo, S. Shaw, T. Moody, N. Lanzer; Not pictured: B. Judkins.

Showtime Kicks Up Heels

Country and Gospel Is A Success

"Howdie! Welcome to the 1984 Country and Western Showtime. To all of the people who knew that the theme was country, thank you for coming anyway. For those of you who didn't know, please remain seated."

This was just one of the many humorous comments made by this year's MC's Eric Krepp, Rod Wingfield, and Caroline DeWalt during the three day production of Showtime performed in May.

Freshmen, Varsity, Girls' Ensemble and Concert Choir were the main participants in the show, along with the Stardusters, directed by Mr. Gary Ciulla. Special appearances were made by the Men's Ensemble with "Elvira" and "Lord, it's Hard To Be Humble."

The show also included small acts from the choirs. Chopper and the Gang sang "King of the Road," Caroline DeWalt and Heidi Dzur dueted with "Here You Come Again," Wendy Imig and Steve Conder with "Anything You Can Do," and the Church Choir performed "Old Time Religion."

Soloists included Julie Oberholtzer singing "The Happiest Girl" and seniors Jackie Labbe and Liz Cypher made their last stage appearances. Labbe sang "Almost Over You" and Cypher soloed with "Blue Bayou."

"I was really impressed with everyone's performance. Mr. Hutsko did a very fine job. He deserves a standing ovation," said Angela Vanuch, a senior member of Varsity Choir.

"It's been a joy to work with every student and individual act," said Mr. Hutsko, "This show finishes the year of choir performances. Believe me, I'm going to miss my seniors."

Sophomores Heidi Dzur and Rod Kramer sing the slow paced "Dixie" and the humorous "Polly Wolly Doodle" with the other Concert Choir vocalists. (A)

Members of the Concert Choir stand attentively waiting for Mr. Hutsko's cue to begin the crowd pleasing "Just a Closer Walk With Thee." (A)

Starduster Nathan Lanzer performs with the other instrumentalists in such pieces as the "Overture" and the "Finale." The Stardusters are under the direction of Mr. Gary Ciulla. (A)

Freshman Robert Harney is credited with designing the program cover for the 1984 Country/Western Showtime.

"Music relaxes me and it is a part of my life which I could not live without." Beth Chaney

Clarinetists Beth Chaney, Kelly Estock, Amy Darner, and Amy Feucht know that hard work is the key to putting on a good performance. (C)

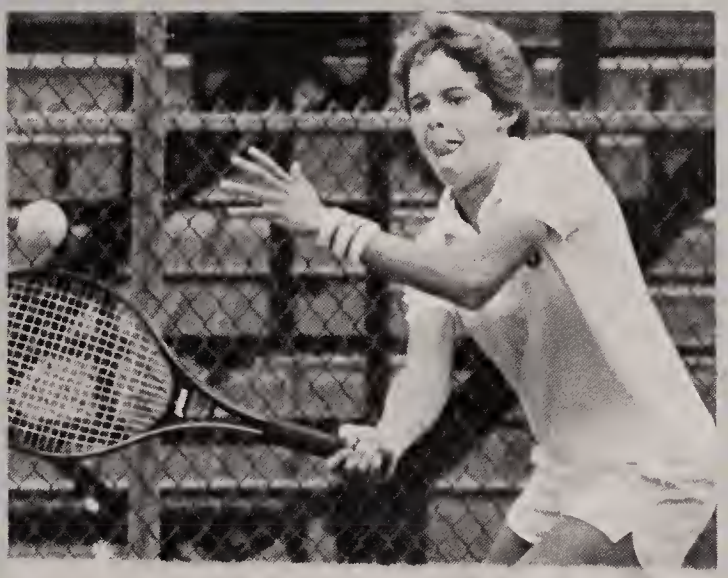
Sophomore Julie Oberholtzer concentrates on playing the xylophone during first period band. (C)

Concert band tuba players Chip Kolesar and Tom Jones practice first period for state contest. (C)

Sports Competition

Sports is a lot more than just competition. It's winning and losing and learning how to handle both. It's conference championships and individual accomplishments. It's long hours of practic and dedication. For most athletes th future is now, but for some, sports won end with high school.

Sports



There is no other extra-curricular activity that has as much involvement as athletics does. There are thirty different teams consisting of players from every grade. ***Included in those*** thirty teams is volleyball which Michelle Wilson has participated in for three years. The volleyball team, under new coaches, finished with an 8-14 record. ***The varsity soccer*** team turned in the most wins ever with a 11-3-2 record. Mark Malone led the team with the most shots and infractions and tied the most goals in a game record. ***Not only did*** the soccer team turn in its best season ever, but also the girls' tennis team which won the SWC with a 14-0 record and finished with 25 wins and only one loss. The team was led by four year letter winner Chris Niese. ***After twenty years*** of coaching, of which thirteen were at Medina, football coach Alan Cooksey retired. Mr. Cooksey was presented with a very special momento of his coaching days by captains Chris Croucher, Mike Meadows, Darryl Mason, and Scott Roper on behalf of the football team.

One Touchdown Could Have Changed 6-4 To 9-1 Season

"Big plays hurt us at key times; otherwise we would have been 9-1."

Darryl Mason

Although the football team finished with a modest 6-4 season, the general consensus was that their final record should have been much better. Coach Alan Cooksey, who ended a 12 year coaching career at Medina, remarked that the season had been one dotted with six extremely close games in which Medina came out on top in three. The other three Medina lost by a touchdown or less.

Quarterback and quad captain Darryl Mason felt that big plays hurt the team at key times; otherwise they would have been 9-1. Senior Dan Kocik stated that "the team had too much talent to have been 6-4."

The team definitely had talent with 16 returning lettermen and 32 seniors. Leading the team was Eugene Ware and Scott Roper who both picked up such honors as 1st Team SWC, All-Sun West Team, all-county team for the ***Gazette*** and ***Beacon Journal***. In addition Roper was picked the MVP for the '83 season.

The two were joined on the SWC 1st Team and all-county team by junior Ron Sency who rushed for over 1300 yards. Other players turning in a fine season were Dave Colonna and Dan Kocik who were named to the SWC second team, Scott Reinhardt who led the line in blocking percentage, Mike Hosey at full back who always got the job done whether blocking or running, and Mark Wilson who made some fine catches at key points.

Coach Cooksey summed up the season and his career by saying, "For my last year, I couldn't have been with a better bunch of guys."

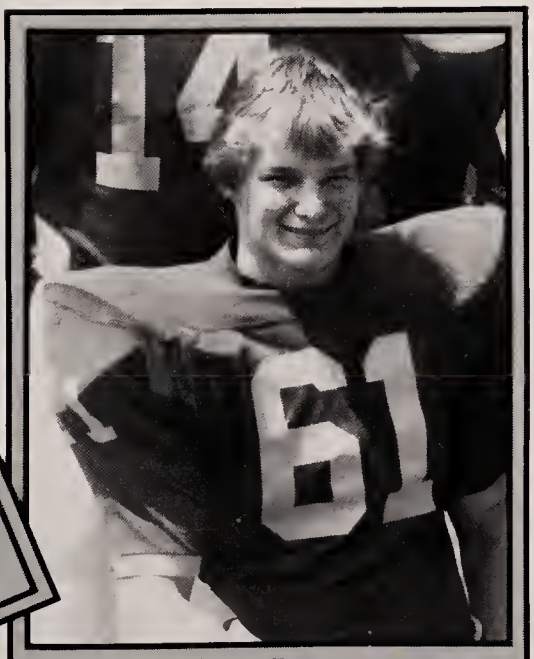
(Top) Turning in his second excellent varsity season, Junior Ron Sency is seen here rushing for some of his 1300 plus yards. (D)

Quarterback Darryl Mason opts to run with the ball as Scott Reinhardt, Mike Meadows, and Ken Wisniewski provide the blocking. (H)

Won 6 Lost 4

Football Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Cloverleaf	24	13
Revere	15	14
Norton	7	12
Westlake	0	20
Bay Village	36	14
Avon Lake	10	16
Olmsted Falls	0	8
Rocky River	3	0
Fairview	20	8
North Olmsted	10	8



Scott Roper

1983 MVP; SWC 1st team linebacker; ***Gazette*** 1st team; ***Beacon Journal*** 1st team all-county and honorable mention All District.

Varsity and Junior Varsity Football Front Row: D. States, K. Kevin, K. Walter, E. Murphy, J. Liezert, J. Kirkham, R. Stein, M. Obloy, R. Sitz, R. Sency, M. Hosey, D. Wagner, D. Kocik, D. Mason, D. Colonna, S. Filler; ***Row 2:*** G. Hutson, R. Lungaro, E. Hanson, M. Goulding, M. Burns, D. Herrmann, V. Mardova, K. Koppes, G. Dague, D. Colonna, S. Vidika, R. Ebeling, N. Krans, J. Kelly, T. Hotz; ***Row 3:*** A. Perrea, M. Hough, T. States, K. Walter, H. Anthony, E. Shellito, R. Sitz, G. Robins, J. Sublett, P. Stetz, J. Kessler, B. Scott; ***Row 4:*** R. Wightman, J. Stoll, J. Brafchak, L. Mullen, R. Anthony, M. Elder, J. Gaume, M. Swingle, R. Schirripa, J. Daso, C. Wilson, J. Workman, C. Croucher; ***Row 5:*** J. Wardell, T. Holt, J. Thompson, N. Lilly, M. Pilarski, M. Meadows, S. Roper, E. Ware, K. Wisniewski, M. Wilson, S. Reinhardt, S. Elligott, J. Van Rossem, T. Selzer.

Junior Paul Stetz pulls down a pass during the homecoming game against Avon Lake while Dave Colonna follows not far behind.

Matt Obloy provides the blocking for running back Sam Filler, who is seen suspended in mid air while trying to obtain a Medina first down. (D)

Won 8 Lost 1 Tied 1

JV Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Cloverleaf	6	0
Revere	14	6
Norton	15	6
Westlake	22	0
Bay Village	9	0
Avon Lake	0	7
Olmsted Falls	27	8
Rocky River	14	12
Fairview	14	0
North Olmsted	0	0

Won 6 Lost 0 Tied 1

Freshman Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Westlake Parkside	28	0
Rocky River	6	0
Valley Forge	16	14
Westlake Burneson	18	12
Fairview	18	16
Avon Lake	16	6
Bay Village	6	6

Freshman Football Front Row: K. Fringer, K. Korber, T. Beard, C. Dunkle, R. Campbell, D. Brown, J. Downing, C. Coleman, R. Cowger, J. Nemeth, D. Mardovin; ***Row 2:*** K. Vaughn, B. Shellito, T. Sency, M. Gregory, H. Burgdorfer, M. Girton, J. Smolko, R. Stout, T. Shuman, R. Pearson, S. Petrush; ***Row 3:*** Coach M. Pallini, Coach S. Van Fleet, A. Krejci, M. Moran, E. Nicholson, T. Costello, J. Kane, M. Hall, D. Mudd, K. Catherwood, E. Cappello, G. Hawkins, B. Doraty, B. George, B. Vanuch, Coach R. Storey.

Top: Junior Joe Kirkham makes a valiant effort to deflect a pass. The JV's defense allowed only 39 points this season. (A) ***Sophomore Dean States,*** who gained over four hundred yards this season, runs for another first down. (A)

JV's Garner Conference Title

"At the beginning of the season, things looked grim because of our lack in numbers. As the season progressed so did the team." ***Mark Goulding***

Coached by John Semenik the junior varsity football team ended the season with a record of eight wins, one loss, and one tie. The JV's managed to shut-out five of their opponents and allowed an average of only 3.9 points per game through the rest of the season. During the ten game season, the JV Bees outscored their team when the JV's lost by a narrow seven point margin. The Bees finished the season SWC champions.

There were many individuals with impressive statistics from this season. Sophomores Lenny Mullens and Dean States both gained over four hundred yards rushing. Also, sophomore quarterback Todd Holt was successful in 67 of 139 attempts for 1,268 total yards passing.

The freshman football team coached by Rich Storey and Mike Pallini finished the season with one of their best records ever. Their final record was six wins, no losses, and one tie. Freshman coach Mike Pallini commented, "It was an interesting season, because we had to battle through a lot of injuries and some really bad weather on game days. The undefeated record made all the sweat and hard work pay off though."

The freshman Bees' only tie came in their last game of the season. The Bees fought the tough Bay Rockets to a 6-6 tie.

Top: Freshman Reggie Campbell avoids pursuers as he looks for an opening in the offensive line. (A) ***Bottom:*** Freshman Tom Sency romps upfield against Rocky River. The freshmen gridders defeated the conference foe 14-12. (A)

Varsity Soccer

Turning Around To A Winning Tradition

"Our team was the best ever in Medina history. We opened a lot of eyes. I'm glad I was part of it."

P.J. King

Winning the Akron Division II Championship highlighted the soccer season. Coached by Mr. Michael Davanzo, the team had its best year since the team was started in 1979. Their 14-3-2 season set 13 new records.

According to co-captain Jon Edinger, "This year was the turn around for Medina to a winning tradition. I think we gained a lot of respect from coaches, players and our supporting parents."

Many records were broken including: the most wins, most shutouts, least amount of times shut out, most goals, fewest goals allowed, most assists, most interceptions, most steals, most goals in a match, largest margin of victory, best finish in SWC, first team to defeat Bay and Rocky River (twice) and first team to tie North Olmsted, the perennial SWC champs.

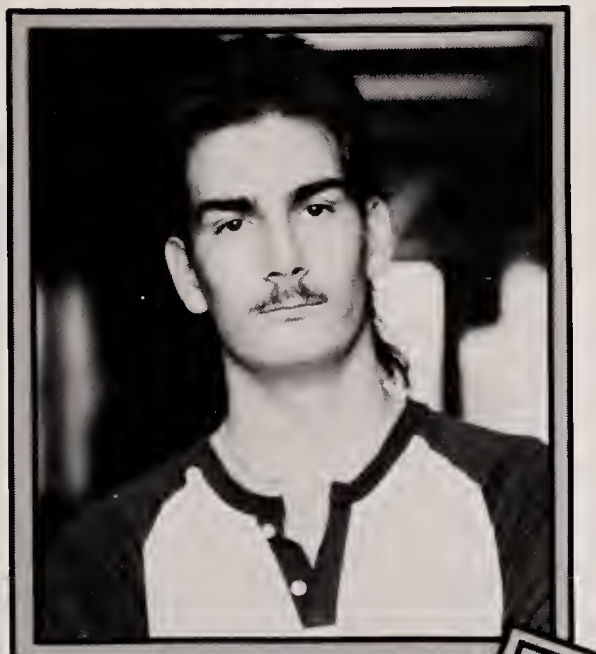
Many individual records were broken this year. Leading the way was Jon Edinger with most interceptions, tackles, and headings. Mark Malone had the most shots and infractions and tied the record for most goals in a match. Matt Chronister had the most assists with 11.

One of the biggest let downs of the season was losing in the state tourney to Rocky River. The team planned to go all the way in the tournament, but when goalie Eric Whitnable broke his thumb in practice the day before the game, they were forced to play without him. All that many of the players wanted was one more chance.

Senior John (Red) Cassidy summed up the team's feelings. "I really wish we could have gone farther in the state tournament, but we had a great year and I'm satisfied, although I would love just one more chance to beat North Olmsted."

Showing a little wear, senior John Cassidy maneuvers the ball up the field enroute to another Bee victory. (A)

Starting an offensive attack, senior John Cassidy blocks an Avon Lake player so sophomore Craig Notarianni can blast the ball up the field. (C)



Jon Edinger
SWC Player of the Year, SWC First Team, Team MVP

LEFT — Sophomore Todd Wyles tries to steal the ball back from the North Olmsted player. In this heartbreaker the Bees lost the SWC title 2-1. (D)

ABOVE — Taking a sharp turn, junior Steve Conder escapes a Rocky River halfback. In two outings Medina beat Rocky River 5-2 in the first game, but came up short 2-0 in the State tournament game. (A)

Varsity Soccer Team Row 1: M. Chronister, A. King, M. Malone, E. Smietana, M. Stadnik, C. Kobak, C. Notarianni; Row 2: Coach M. Davanzo, K. Fennell, T. Wyles, P.J. King, E. Whitnable, J. Cassidy, R. Henkel, K. Whalen, Coach G. Diestler; Row 3: C. Brown, C. Miller, S. Conder, J. Edinger, A. Lewis, E. Colburn, A. Brizuda.

Won 14 Lost 3 Tied 2

Soccer Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Wooster	5	2
Bay Village	2	4
Fairview	5	0
Avon Lake	3	0
North Olmsted	2	2
Wadsworth	2	1
Central Kidron	7	0
St. V-St. Mary	3	3
Westlake	2	0
Rocky River	5	2
Bay Village	2	1
Berea	12	0
Fairview	5	0
Avon Lake	6	0
North Olmsted	1	2
Division Title (Cuyahoga Falls)	3	1
Rocky River Tourney	0	2
Westlake	9	2
Rocky River	1	0

Won 9 Lost 5

JV Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Wooster	1	3
Bay Village	6	0
Medina Baptist	6	2
Akron Buchtel	1	1
North Olmsted	0	11
Wadsworth	2	1
Kidron	3	1
St. Vincent	3	3
Westlake	2	2
Rocky River	3	0
Bay Village	0	2
North Ridgeville	1	0
Oberlin	0	1
Midpark	4	0
North Olmsted	2	5
Westlake	2	1
Rocky River	4	2

Won 8 Lost 6 Tied 1

Freshman Scorecard

	Medina	Opponents
Walsh	6	1
Hudson	0	2
St. Vincent	2	1
Glen Oak	1	0
St. Edward's	4	2
Glen Oak	3	2
Rocky River	1	0
N.O.S.O.	4	8
St. Edward's	4	2
Bay Village	3	2
W.R.A.	2	7
Walsh	2	2
Hudson	0	2
W.R.A.	0	2
N.O.S.O.	3	4

Eric Hayden, the junior varsity's leading scorer, turns the ball up field. (A)

Freshmen Soccer Front Row: R. Swingle, S. Cornell, S. Frazier, M. Koch, C. Wetzel, D. McAlonan, H. Daugherty; ***Row 2:*** C. Rhoades, P. Crooks, T. Gregory, T. Lewis, J. Ebner, J. Leckie, M. Reber, Coach J. Notarianni; ***Row 3:*** T. Ruppelli, L. Gillette, S. Niswander, J. Ocasek, B. Hamblen, K. Dodge, T. Lesiak, B. Scholtz.

Junior Varsity Soccer Front Row: N. Brown, J. Soditch, B. Marchand, J. Maier, J. Oberholtzer; ***Row 2:*** D. Fogel, B. Greinke, E. Hayden, P. Wong, R. Nicoloff, G. Chalfant, D. Banks, J. Kallet; ***Row 3:*** Coach Oberholtzer, D. Daubner, T. Gianvito, J. Cragar, J. Ceasar, B. Isaac, R. Mitchell; ***Row 4:*** T. Krosse, N. Gaete, T. Ruppelli, E. Woebkenberg, S. Markert, M. Canfield, K. Thorton, R. Bonitz.

Team Unity Results In Winning Season

"The team was very close which helped to make us a successful unit while having a good time." Dan Daubner

Turning in its best record ever, JV soccer finished the season with nine wins, five losses, and three ties.

Much of the team's success was attributed to their ability to play well as a unit. There were no individual records. It was the team as a whole that was responsible for the successful season. Sophomore Dan Daubner commented, "It was a great season because we had a better record than any other JV team and had a lot of fun".

When asked, coach John Oberholtzer picked juniors Peter Wong and Mike Canfield as offensive standouts. Defensively, sophomore Dan Fogel, junior goal keeper Tim Krosse, and sophomore goal keeper Rich Bonitz all had good seasons. Coach Oberholtzer also commented that the junior varsity squad had a very good passing game and was all business once on the field.

The newly formed freshman team coached by Jack Notarianni also had a very successful season finishing with a record of eighth wins, six losses, and one tie. This was only the second year in existence for the freshman team.

Coach Notarianni stated, "I believe they (the freshmen) had one of the toughest schedules of any team this year. Because of this tough competition, they will be well prepared for next season."

Top: Dan Daubner puts a fine move on his Rocky River opponent. Medina faced Rocky River twice during the season; the first clash resulted in a 2-2 tie and the second with Medina on top 4-2. (A) ***Middle:*** Freshman team member Tim Leziak maneuvers the ball around a Walsh opponent. The Freshman team had an impressive season under new Head Coach Jack Notarianni. (A) ***Bottom:*** Medina's quintet of Dave Banks, Paul Selmants, Steve Markert, Mike Canfield, and Pete Wong celebrate after another Medina goal. (A)

Boys' Cross Country

Harriers Continue Winning Tradition

"The beginning looked promising, but the injuries took their toll at the end. Overall, though, the season was a success."

Tor Dietrichs

Although hampered by many injuries, the boys' cross country team was able to post many impressive victories this season. Despite many obstacles the Bees finished the season with a six and four dual meet record. The harriers also finished well in many important invitationals.

The meet which stood out in the minds of most of the runners was the victory against Bay on the new home course. Defeating the rival Rockets by a score of 23-33, this was the first time in 14 years that a Medina cross country team had defeated Bay in a dual meet. Seniors Tim Liezert and Tor Dietrichs finished first and second respectively in this meet.

Other high points from the season included a second place finish against the tough field at the Mentor Invitational and a third place finish at the Southwest Conference meet. Medina's best invitational performance, however, came at the Goodyear Invitational. Under adverse conditions Medina, paced by junior Mike Blakslee's 13th place finish, placed third in the 22 team field.

In the Sectional meet Medina also fared well advancing senior MVP Tim Liezert and senior co-captains Mike Chesney and John Notarianni to the District Meet at Goodyear in Akron.

Junior Jim Ferguson (right) summed up the season by saying, "We had a lot of setbacks, but all in all it was a successful season." (A)

Boys' Cross Country (top) Front Row: Captains J. Notarianni, M. Chesney; *Row 2:* B. Klein, A. Musolf, B. Musolf, M. Blakslee, R. McIlvaine, K. Pethtel, S. Graber; *Row 3:* V. Kozlowski, J. Ferguson, J. Huddilston, M. Durand, J. Foose, T. Dietrichs, J. Griffor; *Row 4:* S. Saunders, T. Marshall, C. Hofmeister, P. Starcher, T. Liezert, Coach J. Demo.

Won 6 Lost 4

C.C. Scoreboard

		Opponent
Medina		28
Brecksville	27	24
Nordonia	31	22
Rocky River	34	28
Fairview	29	32
North Olmsted	25	44
Avon Lake	18	33
Bay Village	23	29
Olmsted Falls	26	17
Westlake	40	33
Highland	22	

Mike Chesney
Four Year Letterman Captain
District Qualifier/Best Time: 16:30

Top: Medina harriers work up the first hill on the new course to get an early lead on SWC foe Rocky River. The new course, located behind the high school, was a vast change from the hilly Reagan Park course, which was abandoned because of up-keep. (A) ***Bottom: Tim Liezert***, showing his winning form, concentrates on mid-race strategy. Tim was the team MVP and also one of three striders to qualify for Districts. (A)

Julie Shaffer
Captain MVP 2nd Team All-SWC
Qualifier to Districts

C.C. Scoreboard

Won 5 Lost 4

	Medina	Opponent
Brecksville	37	18
Elms	15	50
Nordonia	40	15
Rocky River	19	41
North Olmsted	26	29
Avon Lake	35	20
Bay Village	28*	28
Westlake	20	35
Olmsted Falls	40	19

Girls Cross Country Team Front Row: Kara Yant, Kristy Brewer, Andrea Johnson, Laura Werstak, Caroline Murphy, Julie Shaffer; ***Row 2:*** Stacy Kassebaum, Elaine Lowry, Christy DiClemente, Eva Smietana, Donna Johnson, Kelly Lavan. ***Row 3:*** Kimberly Beyman, Colleen Lowry, Kristi Wessner, Coach Mark Loomis, Kay Daniels, Heidi Muha, Jennifer Chidsey, Norene Holt.

*Top — **Eva Smietana*** labors over the rugged terrain as Donna Johnson trails close behind. (A)

*Right — **The traditonal rain*** of the Sectional meet adds to the dismay shown on the face of Julie Shaffer who placed 17th and was the only Medina girl to qualify for the District meet. (D)

We Made It Through The Rain

"Maybe I'm a masochist." *Donna Johnson*

Neither rain nor heat nor snow could stop the girls' cross country team. Under the coaching of Mark Loomis, the team battled the 90 degree August temperatures as well as the rain and snow of the Sectional meet in early November.

The hard work and determination paid off as the team, led by captains Jennifer Chidsey and Julie Shaffer, placed third in the SWC with a 4-2 conference record. This, along with the victories over Wadsworth and Bay, was an important accomplishment of the team. The advancement of junior Julie Shaffer to the district meet was also a great achievement.

A major change occurred this eason when the 3.1 mile course was moved from Reagan Park to the high school in order to make the sport more visible. The runners held a different viewpoint. As Chidsey states, "The old course offered more of a challenge. Let's face it, cross country will never the a spectator sport."

Two records were shattered this season as Colleen Lowry clocked a 20:49 for the freshman record and Julie Shaffer captured the junior mark with a 19:42. Says Shaffer, "I was ecstatic."

Shaffer also received the Most Valuable Runner award along with senior Kelly Lavan. "It was something I had worked for, my goal for the season." siad Lavan. Shaffer and Lavan were also named Second Team All-SWC.

As Loomis puts it, "We accomplished everything we set out to, but the dream of going to state is still there."

Top — After a race Jennifer Chidsey quenches her thirst with large quantities of water. (A) During the start of that same race, Kelly Lavan and Elaine Lowry ***(middle)*** fight for good position. (A) In another home meet, Medina and Nordonia girls ***(left)*** bound up the first hill, struggling to get ahead. (A)

Golf

Bees Finish Fourth Althought Not Up To Par

"We learned many valuable lessons which I hope will be beneficial to next year's outcome." Chris Hughes.

After winning the SWC Championship in 1980 and 1981, the 1983 golf team was not quite up to par. The season, however, was still successful as the Bees finished once again in the upper division of the SWC. Senior Roger Corey commented, "We just did not play to our potential. Next year's team, however, has a very good chance at the Championship."

A 7-7 dual meet record and a fourth place finish in the conference tournament resulted in a fourth place SWC standing. Coach Doug Walker stated, "The team needs to play more competitively and work more in the summer." Senior Rob Conrad agreed, "We didn't play badly; we were just inconsistent."

Despite the team's performance, individual accomplishments were recognized. Junior Tom Pleiman was named to the Second Team All SWC. A third year letter was awarded to senior Rob Conrad.

An increase in the productivity of golf as a whole throughout the SWC can be proven by the fact that the conference will be represented at the state level in two classes, as both conference champ Bay Village (AAA) and third place finisher Fairview (AA) qualified to the state tournament. The quality of SWC golf can also be measured by Medina's 9-2 non-conference record.

The junior varsity finished another successful campaign ending 14-2, with an undefeated non-conference record. Coach Mark Osterland said, "The junior varsity team gives the kids a chance to get experience at competing against other teams before they go on to the varsity team."

Top: Drew Cooper displays good form on his follow through. (A) ***Right:*** Jeff Zoller seems to be mulling over all the possibilities as he lines up this crucial putt. (A)

Won 14 Lost 9

Golf Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Avon Lake	162	166
Wadsworth	158	165
Revere	158	163
Tallmadge	158	181
Westlake	168	177
Bay Village	170	154
Highland	172	181
North Olmsted	165	167
Avon Lake	165	171
Olmsted Falls	165	174
Westlake	162	157
North Olmsted	167	151
Fairview	188	179
Stow	180	194
Brecksville	180	187
Wadsworth	175	182
Walsh	175	170
Canton McKinley	175	167
Olmsted Falls	164	163
Bay Village	169	161
Fairview	169	185
Rocky River	169	186
Rocky River	180	176

Tom Pleiman

41.5 Overall Average 40.5 SWC Average
2nd SWC Team

Golf Team Front Row: C. Richling, B. Johnson, J. Chrien, T. Phillips, J. Krajewski, G. Mizerik, S. Cottrill, R. Cowley, B. Troup ***Row 2:*** C. Hughes, D. Cooper, T. Pleiman, R. Conrad, M. LeBlanc, J. Cavanagh, J. Patneau, R. Corey, S. Meuler, J. Toom, J. Zoller, Coach D. Walker (missing from picture: Coach M. Osterland).

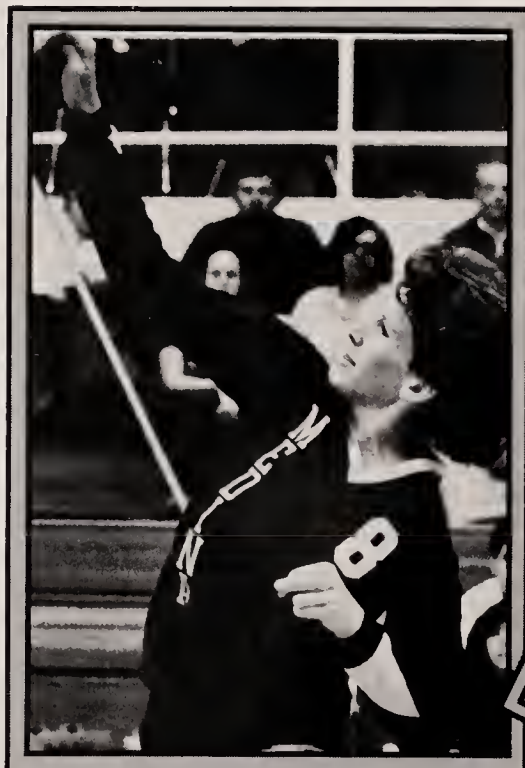
The expression on Jay Chrien's face suggests that this shot was not the long straight one he had hoped for. (A)

Doug Cochran opens his stance (at left) to get a better look at this delicate chip shot to try to get it close to the hole. (A)

Varsity Team: Row 1: S. Nalepa, V. Gilles, T. Tober; ***Row 2:*** T. Kafides, B. Zisk, M. Wilson, L. Finley, W. Florian, Coach J. Hinkofer; ***Row 3:*** L. Piskach, L. Swain, K. Weygandt.

Junior Varsity Team: Row 1: K. Sands, S. Smith, B. Walth, K. Dougherty; ***Row 2:*** L. Greer, C. Gaume, B. Dennison, M. Swank, L. Soto; ***Row 3:*** Coach K. Rado, K. Fri, D. Piskach, A. Cutlip, K. Ejze, M. Franz, T. Kafides

Freshman Cathy Ejze and sophomore Mary Franz collide in their rush to save the ball. The J.V.'s ended their season with a 10-11 overall record. (A)



Kristi Weygandt

Senior I year varsity

Gazette All-County Honorable Mention

Sets 93% Serves 93%

Spikes 88% Bumps 85%

Won 8 Lost 14
Volleyball Scorecard

Opponent	Medina
Wadsworth	15-11-15
Brunswick	4-14
Revere	9-11
Westlake	11-2
Olmsted Falls	15-15
Bay Village	7-15-15
Avon Lake	5-4
Buckeye	15-8-6
Rocky River	9-14
Fairview	3-10
Valley Forge	15-11-17
North Olmsted	11-5
Westlake	4-10
Bay Village	15-5-15
Olmsted Falls	15-15
Avon Lake	6-15-6
Rocky River	15-5-12
St. V.-St. M.	4-15-15
Highland	15-12-15
North Olmsted	11-15
Fairview	7-15-5
Norton	9-3
	4-15-11
	15-16
	15-15
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	1-11
	15-12-1
	15-15
	13-15-15
	15-16
	15-15
	10-15-15
	15-15
	15-15
	11-15-4
	10-3
	15-4-15
	11-15-15
	15-5-8
	11-15-13
	15-15
	15-13-15
	15-15

Spikers Gain Talent But Time Runs Out

"We were optimistic at the start of the season but things didn't go our way."
Laura Swain

With only four returning letter winners, the Queen Bee Volleyball team found 1983 to be another year of gaining experience.

Headlining the season was the new coaching staff. Joanne Hinkofer took over the head coaching position and Kim Rado became the J.V. coach. The second major change was the new offense. It involved three spikers in play at the net at all times. New defense and playing techniques were also learned. In addition, the new coaches, both veteran volleyball players, emphasized the three C's of volleyball — control, confidence, and communication.

The season had its share of ups and downs. Wins over conference rivals Bay Village and Olmsted Falls and Wadsworth and Highland in Medina county action were highlights.

Coach Hinkofer said, "Our biggest problem this season was inconsistency. At times we could outplay anyone and other times momentum seemed to elude us when we needed it the most. The talent was there but time ran out before we could really get things on the right track."

The final season record was 8-14 overall and 4-10 in the SWC. Sophomore Tracy Tober said, "I don't think our record really reflected the type of team we were. We got along well and had a lot of talent but we weren't sure how to use it to our best advantage."

The junior varsity, composed of 12 talented freshman and sophomores, finished their season at 10-11 overall and landed a 6-8 record in the SWC. Coach Rado commented that the team progressed throughout the season and were dedicated to improving themselves as a team.

Reaching above the net in an attempt to block her Fairview opponents spike is, sophomore Whitney Florian. ***Senior Kristi Weygandt*** backs off the net in anticipation of the next move of the ball. Hitting the floor is a necessary part of the game. ***At left***, junior Michelle Wilson is caught halfway into a roll as she reaches for the ball. (D)

Unmatched Perfection Puts Tennis At The Top

"Everybody has the will to win but not everybody has the will to prepare to win."
Jennifer Hinkel

With a perfect 14-0 season, the girls' tennis team swept the SWC for their third consecutive title. "Undefeated seasons in tennis are unheard of", stated a proud coach John Kelly. "Looking back, this season was indeed incredible."

The Bees were stopped only by Mentor in the quarter finals of the State Tournament thus ending their season with an overall 25-1 mark. Mentor went on to place second in the state.

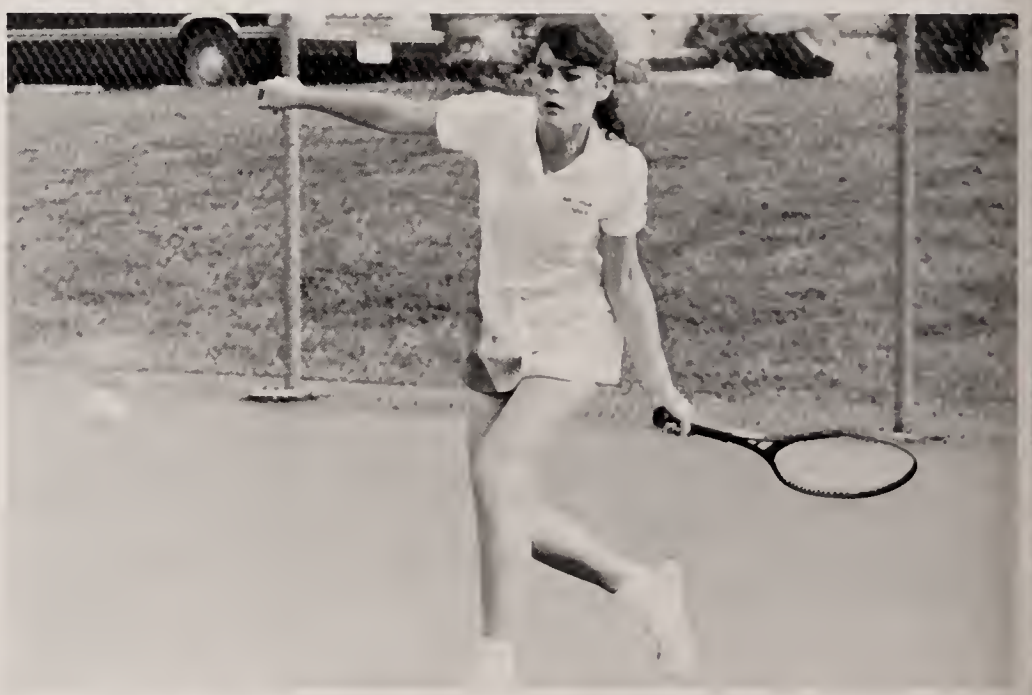
Seven top players were responsible for numerous outstanding accomplishments. Only one match away from going to state, Chris Niese and Merritt Jones won the Medina Sectional Title in doubles marking the second year in a row Medina captured this title. Julie Schaefer qualified for district play by finishing 4th in the Medina Sectional.

In singles, Julie Schaefer, Merritt Jones, and Mary Linda Cragar finished second in the SWC and were named to the ALL SWC teams. The doubles teams of Chris Niese and Jennifer Hinkel and Elizabeth Jaeger and Melissa Schultz placed first in the SWC and were named to the first team All SWC.

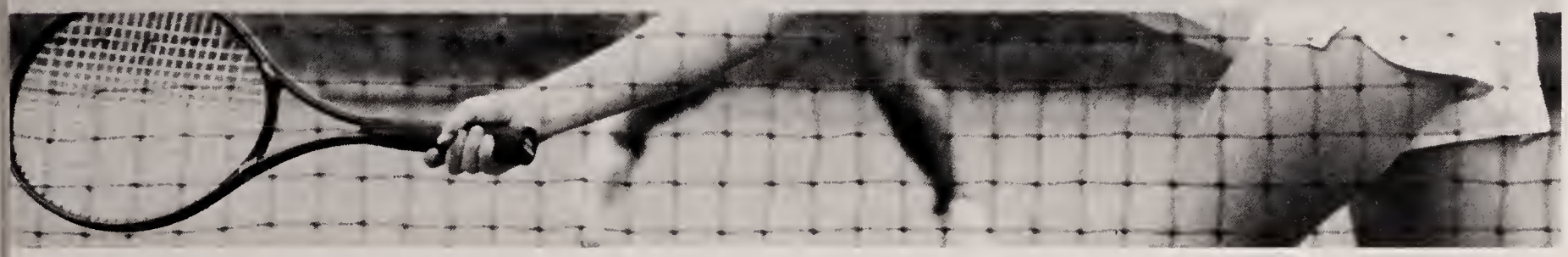
"Since it was my first year on the team, I was really nervous," confided freshman Melissa Schultz. "Even though the work was tough and it seemed like all we did is practice, I had a ball!"

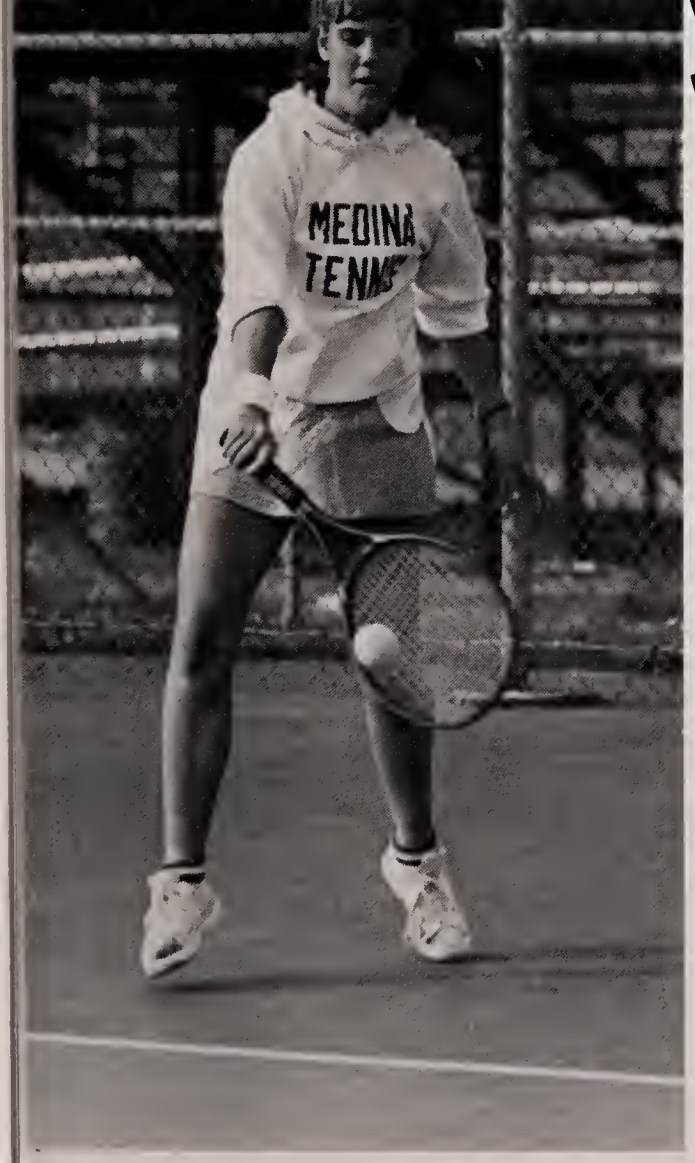
Captain Chris Niese summed up the season, "It was the team concept that led us to our 25-1 record. Everybody worked well together. The result was that all the hard work and practices paid off."

Coach Kelly added, "1983 may be a season unmatched by any Medina tennis team for years to come."



Above: Concentration and determination led senior Chris Niese to a 36-8 overall record. ***Middle:*** Mary Linda Cragar shows the form that qualified her for SWC second team honors. "I felt very close to my best for the competition." she said. (A) ***Girls' Tennis Team Row 1:*** J. Bailey (manager), L. Newkirk, D. Mardavich, S. Short, L. Omwake, Liz Jaeger, J. Rog; ***Row 2:*** J. Hinkel, M. Jones, C. Niese, M. Cragar, M. Murphy, M. Templin, S. Sanford; ***Row 3:*** M. Fauber, S. Edinger, L. Melzer, C. Kemp, B. Baka, C. Doyle, B. Hosick; ***Row 4:*** K. Phillips, K. Jones, M. Deputy, A. Kelly (coach), J. Kelly (coach), M. Schultz, J. Schaefer. (E)



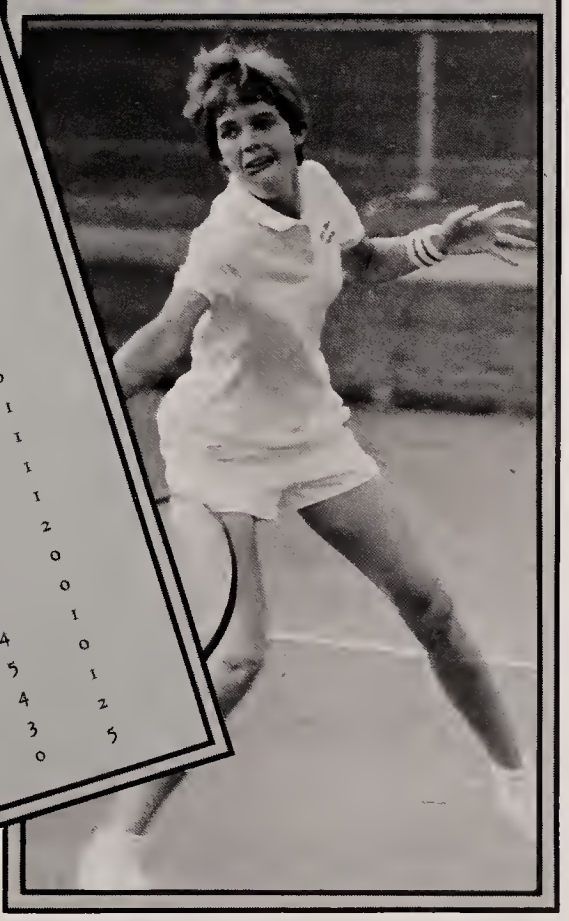


Won 25 Lost 1

Tennis Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Revere	5	0
Hathaway Brown	4	1
Toledo Ottawa Hill	2	2
Hudson	3	2
Akron Firestone	5	0
Brecksville	5	0
Ashland	5	0
Westlake	4	1
Wadsworth	4	1
Bay Village	4	1
St. Vincent-St. Mary	4	0
Avon Lake	5	0
Fairview	5	0
Rocky River	5	1
North Olmsted	4	1
Westlake	4	1
Olmsted Falls	4	1
Lorain Senior	4	2
Bay Village	3	0
Avon Lake	5	0
Oberlin	5	0
Magnificat	4	1
Fairview	5	0
North Olmsted	4	1
Bay Village	3	2
Mentor	0	5

Chris Niese
Senior 4 years Varsity
Doubles Sectional Champ
SWC First Team



Top: An outstanding effort by Merritt Jones allowed her to compete against highly rated opposing teams. She and Chris Niese (background) won the Medina Sectional title in doubles. (D) ***Left:*** Third year letterman Julie Schaefer placed fourth in the Sectional Tournament and became the second Medina girl to ever qualify for the district tournament. (A)

Scott Dix, better known as World B. Dix, glides through the air toward the basket showing the technique he used to lead the team in scoring and free throw shooting. (K)

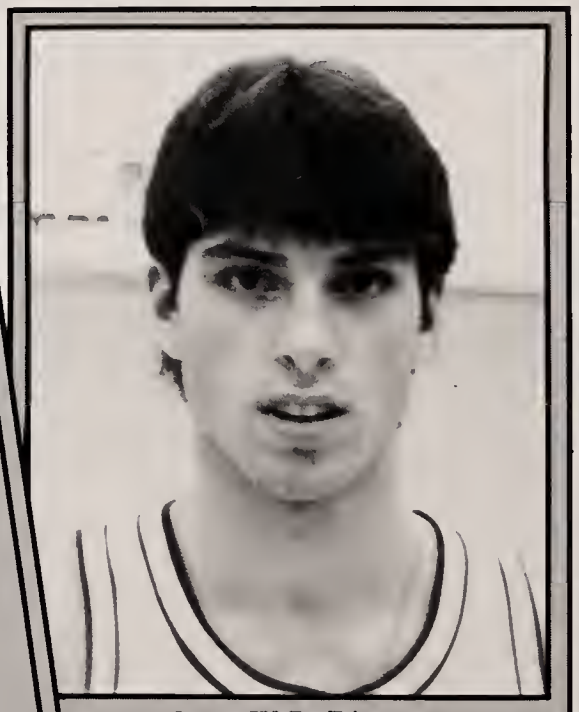
John (Moyer) Meier goes up against the big man from Bay — Steve Stoykol. Moyer led the team in rebounding, pulling down 132. (D)

Junior guard Ron Sency attempts to steal the ball away from this Avon Lake player during a 37-50 Medina loss. (A)

Won 4 Lost 17

Basketball Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Highland	49	32
Norton	42	61
Westlake	52	53
Olmsted Falls	41	46
Bay Village	36	50
Avon Lake	43	64
Strongsville	49	60
Rocky River	47	45
Fairview	47	63
North Olmsted	36	53
Westlake	58	51
Olmsted Falls	51	47
Cloverleaf	41	47
Bay Village	48	67
Avon Lake	37	50
Rocky River	38	53
Buckeye	41	54
Fairview	45	48
North Olmsted	59	67
Akron Hoban	36	47
Cleveland St. Ignatius	44	62



Scott W.B. Dix
Team MVP
Leading Scorer (10.95 avg.)

Following In The Footsteps Of A Legend

"I didn't expect to do as well as last year, but I'm a little upset we didn't do better than we did."

Kevin Murphy

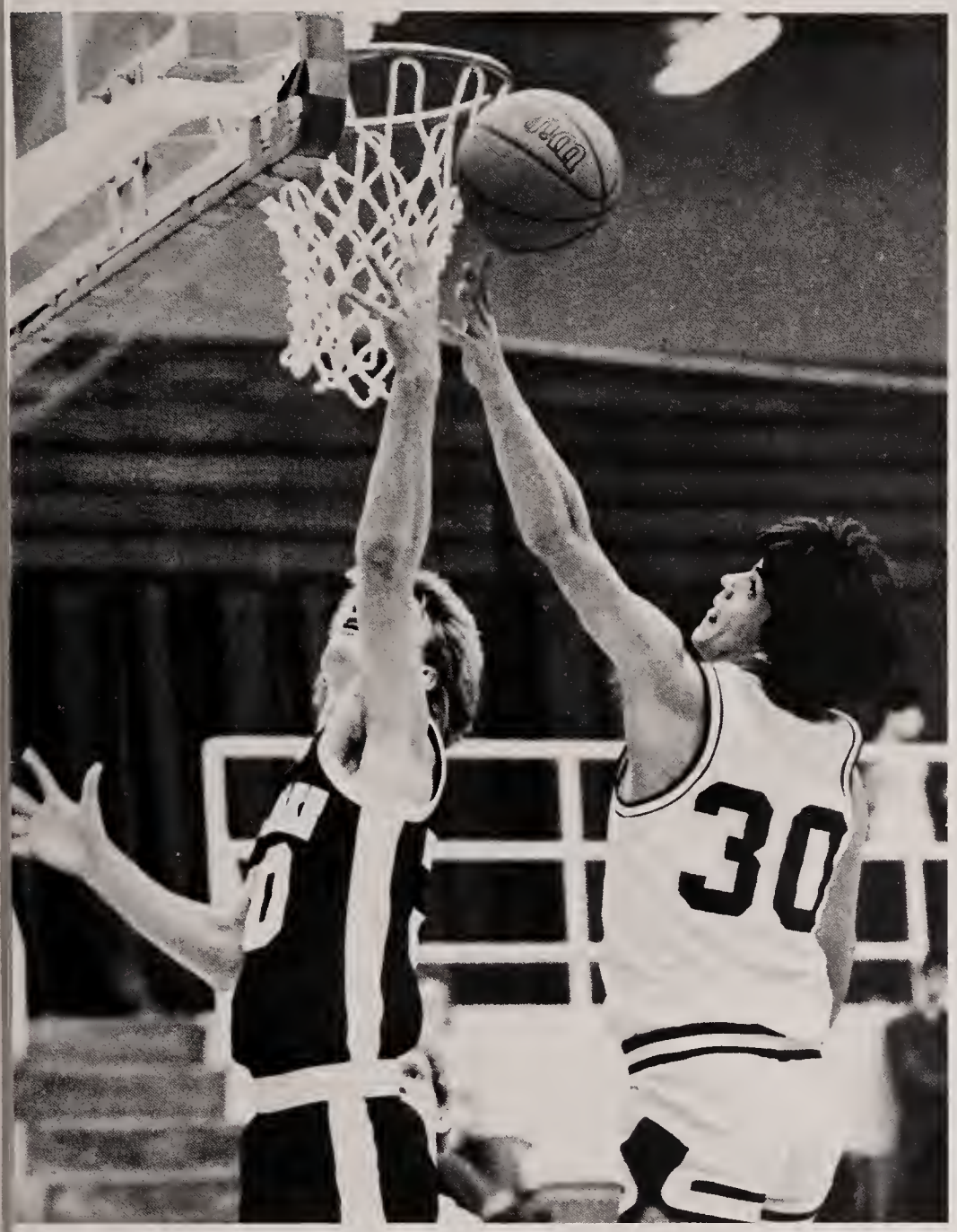
Saying that this year's varsity basketball team had a tough act to follow might be the understatement of the year. The team, which was a state finalist the year before, had no returning starters. Therefore, the 1983-84 season was a year of gaining experience and rebuilding.

The team consisted of only three seniors, with three juniors, six sophomores and one freshman making up the rest of the roster. Eleven different players were starters during the season. Coach Alan Darner stated, "We were probably the youngest Class AAA team in Ohio."

Even though the team was young, they were very competitive, losing five games by eight points or less. Darner felt that the team showed much improvement over the course of the season. Senior Kevin Murphy stated that he didn't expect to do as well as the year before, but he was a little upset that the team didn't do better than it did.

The other two seniors on the team were captain John Meier and Colin Grimm. Meier led the team in rebounding while Grimm became the catalyst of the young team. Colin was always consistent and could always be counted on added Coach Darner. Colin led the team in steals and showed his leaping ability pulling down 122 rebounds. Junior Scott Dix turned in a fine season leading the team in many categories and picking up the MVP award.

Darner summed up by saying he looked forward to next season when six returning lettermen and more experienced players will be back.



Colin Grimm demonstrates his leaping ability (top-A) while the team shows their joy after winning a double overtime game against Rocky River (middle-K).

Varsity Basketball J. Keenan, L. Cheng, T. Shuman, S. Dix, L. Jones, D. Radecki, J. Meier, K. Murphy, M. Stratman, L. Jones, C. Grimm, R. Anthony, R. Sency, Coach A. Darner. (G)

JV/Freshman Basketball

Hard Work, Determination Make A Winning Combination

"There wasn't any one standout for we were equally matched. We had fun playing together, but were serious when we needed to be."

Ron Schaedel

While the record might not prove it, the JV boys, consisting almost entirely of sophomores, showed a great deal of desire and hustle in every game. Their final record may have been 8-12, but every game was played with intensity.

"When we played good teams, we played at their level," stated sophomore John Cloud, who led the team in scoring. This seemed to hold true. Medina downed Bay once more this year. Bay's JV team has lost three games in the past two years, and two of those have been to Medina.

The future shows promise. "With so many sophomores in the system, we should be strong in the next few years," stated Kenny Walters. Junior Ron Schaedel summed up the season by saying, "We played as a team. There wasn't any one standout for we were equally matched. We had fun playing together, but were serious when we needed to be."

The freshmen team was one of the best Medina has had in years. Coached by Mark Loomis, they went 12-5 overall and 7-1 in the SWC. They were not only SWC champs, but also the Burneson Tournament champion.

This is the third year Loomis has coached these boys. He had them as 7th, 8th, and now as 9th graders. Over the last three years, they had a record of 38-12. Coach Loomis has nothing but praise for his team. "With hustle, hard work, and good attitudes, we had a very successful season."

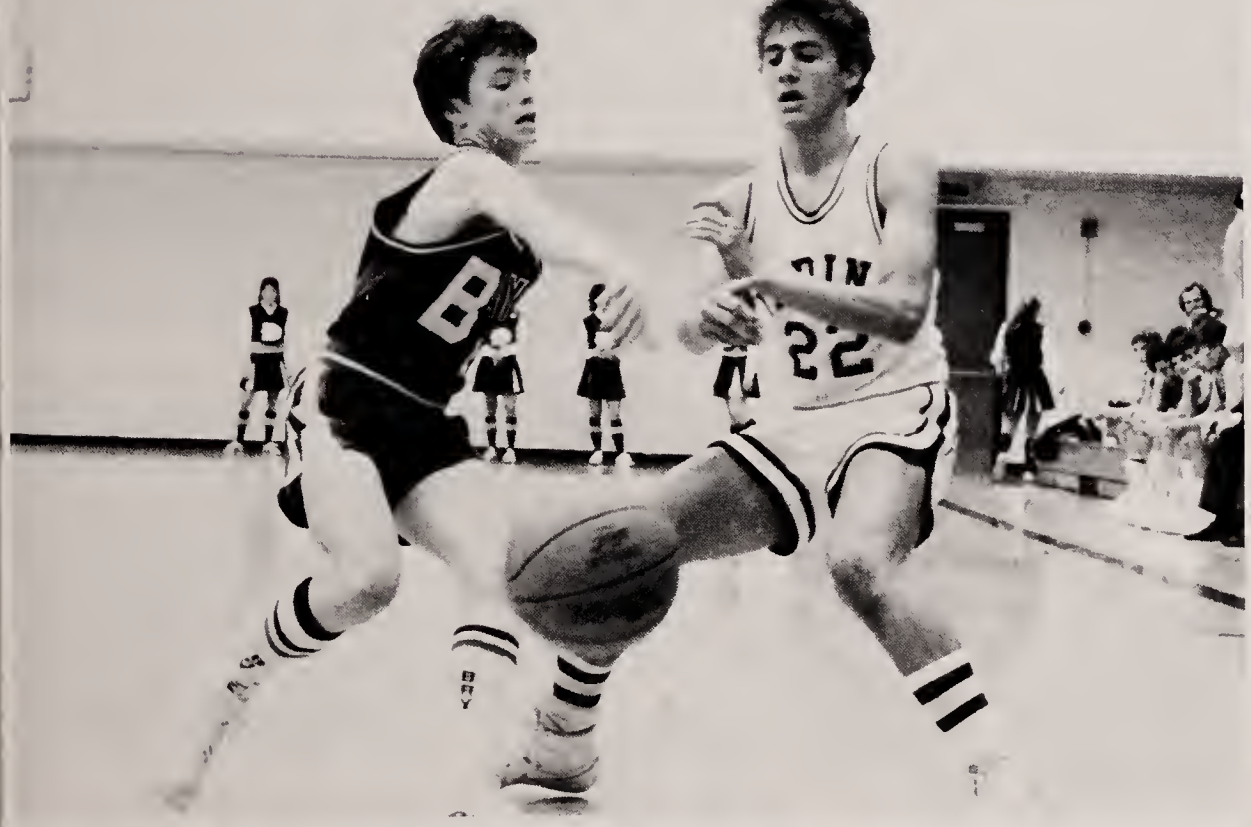
Foul! Junior Ron Schaedel collides with a Westlake Demon as he attempts to steal the ball. The Bees won by only one point with the final score 46-45. (A)

Freshman Basketball Row 1: R. Roper, B. Hutson, T. Sency, R. Stout, T. Lesiak, R. Campbell; *Row 2:* Mgr. R. Glasenapp, D. Layton, J. Steward, M. Hall, M. Newton, T. Jones, J. Kane, Coach M. Loomis. (G)

Won 8 Lost 12

J.V. Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Highland	42	43
Norton	48	34
Westlake	48	39
Olmsted Falls	50	51
Bay Village	48	47
Avon Lake	41	61
Strongsville	37	63
Rocky River	32	46
Fairview	43	57
North Olmsted	42	44
Westlake	46	45
Olmsted Falls	37	36
Cloverleaf	50	36
Bay Village	36	52
Avon Lake	32	52
Rocky River	33	41
Buckeye	43	42
Fairview	49	24
North Olmsted	53	65
Akron Hoban	39	44



Won 12 Lost 5

Freshman Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Westlake Parkside	52	19
Barberton U.L. Light	45	58
Rocky River	52	33
Elyria Catholic	46	66
Strongsville Center	59	56
Westlake Burneson	39	35
Wadsworth	47	48
Fairview	60	25
Avon Lake	50	30
Barberton U.L. Light	28	60
Bay Village	64	51
North Olmsted	44	53
Olmsted Falls	51	24
Rocky River	67	30
North Olmsted	72	51
Barberton Highland	58	53
Bay Village	65	54

Freshman Tom Sency goes in for an easy two. (A)

Skying, Sophomore Laval Jones shows great concentration as he goes up for a shot. (A)

Leading scorer John Cloud barely manages to pass around the pursuing Bay player as he bounces the ball to his teammate. (G)

J.V. Basketball Row 1: T. Shuman, B. Phillips, R. Schaedel, J. Liezert, C. Notarianni, K. Walters, J. Cloud; ***Row 2:*** Coach M. Pallini, Mgr. L. Berg, E. Hanson, J. Weaver, L. Jones, D. Radecki, M. Goulding, L. Jones, S. Wingard, T. Holt. (G)

The girls never let their determination fail as Carolyn Cody shows shooting a basket during one of their two hour a day practices. (A)

Keeping her eyes on the hoop, Cathy Gillis gets ready to shoot for two. (A)

What goes up must come down, and Chris DiClemente, back to back with an Ashland player, is ready for it. (D)

Lynn Piskach
Leading Rebounder
2 Year Letter Winner

Won 5 Lost 16
Varsity Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Wadsworth	29	45
Valley Forge	29	57
Westlake	34	46
Cloverleaf	38	45
Olmsted Falls	37	50
Ashland	37	39
Bay Village	36	33
Avon Lake	33	36
Brunswick	29	31
Hoban	29	45
Rocky River	50	14
Fairview	47	38
North Olmsted	36	68
Westlake	26	41
Olmsted Falls	36	46
Bay Village	45	33
Avon Lake	35	53
Rocky River	52	47
North Olmsted	24	51
Fairview	27	38
Norton	32	50

Hard Work Can't Break Losing Streak

"It's bad enough to have a losing season and be made fun of, but then we still had to work hard and maintain a positive attitude."
Chris Niese

The varsity girls' basketball team and coach Mr. Dale Weygandt had a tough season. Even with the four returning letter winners, they found it hard to pull off a win.

According to Coach Weygandt, " . . . there was a lot of beautiful playing. We were in the ball game until the end so it was rarely a complete shut out." He was also very proud of the team, because they remained determined and continued to work after their losses.

On the bright side, captain Chris Niese has a new school record for most steals. Co-captain Kristy Weygandt had most assists and foul shots while Lynn Piskach had the most rebounds.

Weygandt thought that too much team playing could have hurt them. "Everyone seemed to be afraid to try to make a basket. They were too team conscious."

When Chris Niese was asked what she'd want to do differently about the season she said, "WIN!" She added,

Kris Fedro commented, "There were many turning points during the season, but none of them panned out."

Chris DiClemente said, "I thought our defense was the strong point of the team, but we needed to have a more creative offense."

Winning isn't everything and that is what the girls had to remember. Carolyn Cody seemed to sum up the team's attitude the best. "After a record like ours, it wasn't easy to bounce back and keep our pride and sense of humor, but we all managed to do so and in the end that made us stronger and better people," she said.

Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach Dale Weygandt, Wendy Feeser, Christine DiClemente, Tammy Glover, Laurie Gerhart, Carolyn Cody, Lynn Piskach, Kris Fedro, Cathy Gillis, Donna Johnson, Elaine Lowry, Susan Hoffman (manager); ***Front Row:*** Captains Kristy Weygandt and Chris Niese. (G)

The Difference Between 'Champs' And 'Chumps' Is U

"We were successful because of our great coach (quoted above) and close team. We knew what to expect from each other and proved our ability."

Katie Cavanagh

Not only was the Girls' JV basketball team SWC champs for the sixth consecutive year in Medina, they were also undefeated. Their effort was reflected in their nineteen consecutive victories followed by only one loss. Surpassing thirty points per game, they held fourteen opponents under this score, and played seven shutout quarters.

According to both the team and Coach John Semenik, closeness was the key to such miraculous success. Sophomore Amy Arehart felt that "everyone got along. There was no hassle. We were the fun bunch." Everyone played in seventeen of their twenty games. The fun bunch and Coach Semenik were particularly proud of their game against Fairview.

The opponents' banners featured pictures of a potato with the wording "Mash Medina." The team came back with "Mash Schmidt," Fairview's best player, Medina not only won, but Schmidt didn't score as the result of a double team defense. The coach said, "This team has been the closest girls' basketball team I have ever coached. They will always be successful, because they have the characteristics necessary for achievement."

The freshman team, coached by Mr. Jim Wienczkowski, proved successful this year and is said to have great potential. Winning was just the by product of hard practices and fun on the floor. Coach Wienczkowski has many positive feelings about the team and simply states with a grin, "I can't say nothing bad about them."

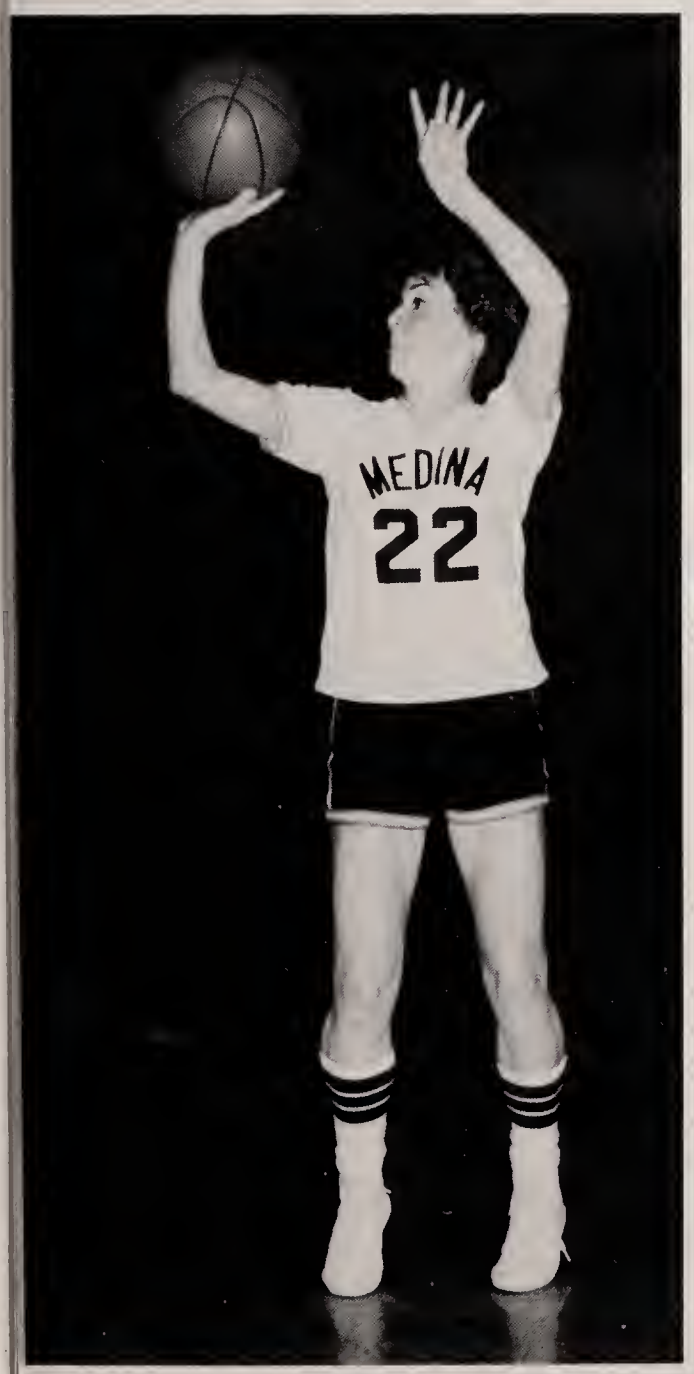
Sophomore, Tracy Tober, (right), struggles for the ball aided by Sophomore Whitney Florian in their 35-25 victory over Rocky River. (B)

Opposite Page JV Girls' Basketball Row 1: H. Yehnert, K. Zemnickas, K. Cavanagh, A. Arehart, W. Feeser, T. Tober; ***Row 2:*** Coach Semenik, C. Doyle, W. Florian, M. Hilty, L. Macmillan, K. Coy. (G)

The team effort against Avon Lake, including freshman Erin Fauber, (LEFT) secured Medina's 24-15 victory, naturally the highlight of the year. (A)

Amy Arehart, all alone in the corner, puts up a one handed shot. Amy said the J.V. girls team was better known as the "Fun Bunch". (A)

Below Freshman Girls' Basketball Row 1: K. Ejze, K, Maupin, K. Fri, M. Lazear, S. Green, E. Fauber, D. Piskach, E. Smietana; ***Row 2:*** R. Estill, P. Wyant, B. Walth, J. Peterson, L. Soto, M. Akers, C. Lowry, Coach Wienczkowski. (G)



Won 19 Lost 1

JV Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Wadsworth	31	37
Valley Forge	31	26
Westlake	37	16
Cloverleaf	34	21
Olmsted Falls	39	32
Ashland	37	22
Bay Village	42	18
Avon Lake	32	20
Brunswick	34	26
Hoban	42	32
Rocky River	35	25
Fairview	45	32
North Olmsted	31	20
Westlake	40	39
Olmsted Falls	42	23
Bay Village	43	16
Avon Lake	27	26
Rocky River	34	32
North Olmsted	37	15
Fairview	40	28

Won 9 Lost 3

Freshman Scoreboard

	Medina	Opponent
Buckeye	28	14
Avon Lake	8	14
Wellington	37	27
Wadsworth	14	13
Buckeye	28	9
Barberton Highland	26	23
Wellington	29	33
North Olmsted	38	20
Brooklyn	35	19
Barberton Highland	42	25
Barberton U.L. Light	21	40

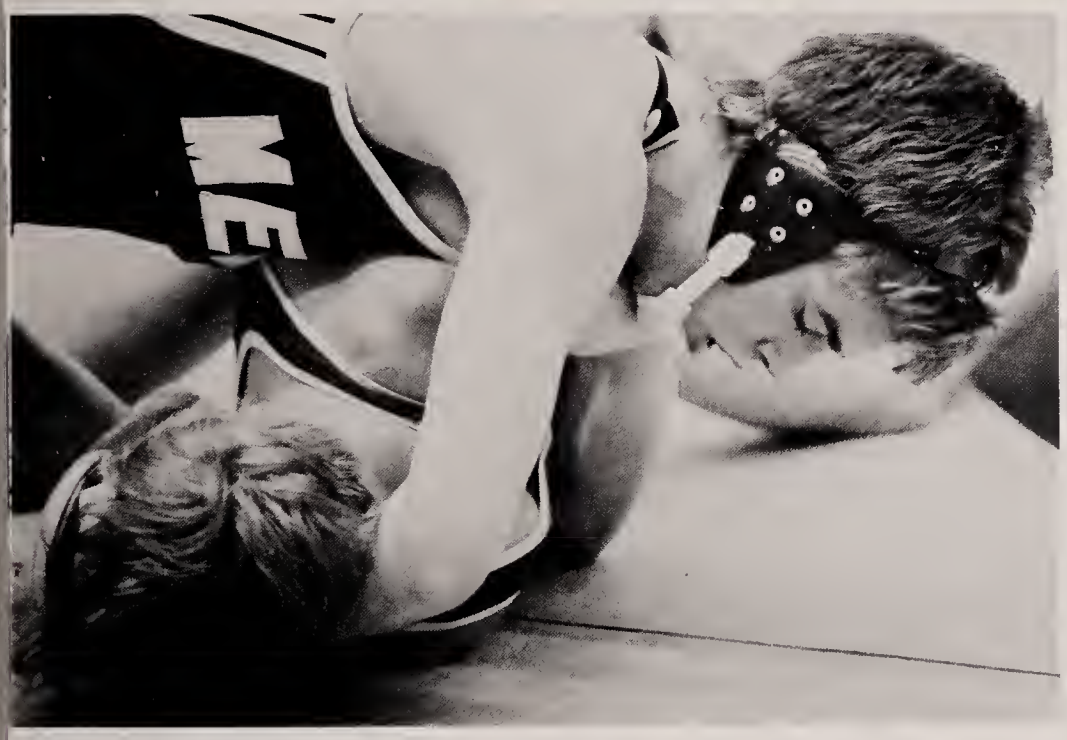
Won 3 Lost 7 Tied 1
Wrestling Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Avon Lake	53	7
Massillon Jackson	28	32
Kent Roosevelt	32	33
North Olmsted	18	52
Westlake	31	31
Olmsted Falls	16	51
Bay Village	58	8
Rocky River	26	33
Highland	25	36
Fairview	39	23
Lake Catholic	13	39

James Van Rossem 185 lbs.
Won Conventry Tournament, 4th Districts, 3rd MIT, 5th Regionals, 2nd SWC, State Alternate

Top left — Senior Tom Judson attempts a reversal on his conference foe. (A) ***Top right*** — Wrestling at 112 in the M.I.T., Mike Bogdan looks for a take down in the consolation match. (D) ***At right*** — Senior Tri-captain Walter Snook attempts a take down against a conference foe. (A) ***Lower left-Varsity Wrestling Row 1:*** S. Cottrill, F. Sklenar, mascot, K. Correll, mascot, B. Krosse, mascot, C. Mullen, M. Bogdan, G. Scheiman; ***Row 2:*** J. Kelly, D. Wagner, T. Krosse, T. Judson, K. Koppes, W. Snook, A. Hiller; ***Row 3:*** M. Meadows, J. Van Rossem, Head Coach J. Lavery, Coach J. Hewitt, Coach R. Hamblen, Coach D. Pugh, Coach D. Patterson, G. Kahl, L. Mullen. (G)

Wagner And Van Rossem Narrowly Miss State Berth



"We started off slow and had a lot of injuries, but we wrestled well toward the end of the season. Overall it was a rebuilding year."

Mike Bogdan

Although ending the season with an overall record of three wins, seven losses, and one tie may not seem encouraging, there were many good points to the varsity wrestling season. The Bees advanced two wrestlers to the Regional meet and fared well in the SWC. As a team the Bees finished with a record of three wins, three losses and one tie in the conference. This brought them fourth place overall in the SWC.

At the district meet, which was hosted at Medina, Medina advanced senior James Van Rossem and junior Dave Wagner to the regional meet. Both narrowly missed gaining state berths at the regionals. James Van Rossem commented, "I was pleased with my season. I just wish that I would have realized my goal of making it to state." Van Rossem finished fifth in the regionals and only four qualify for the state meet.

Many of the grapplers posted impressive records. Among the best, Dave Wagner went undefeated in the conference and finished with an overall record of 22-6. James Van Rossem finished with 21 wins and 6 losses, while junior Tim Krosse finished with 16 wins, 10 losses and 2 ties.

Both head coach Jim Lavery and assistant coach Dale Patterson felt that the team's final record was misleading. Lavery commented, "Our record is very deceiving. With the turn around of just one match, we could have had five more victories."

Junior Dave Wagner, on his way to an undefeated conference record, scores two points on a reversal. (A) ***Tim Krosse, finishing*** the season with a 16-10-2 record, looks for another pin for Medina. ***James Van Rossem*** renders his opponent helpless at the M.I.T.

JV/Freshman Wrestling

Good Individual Performances Bring Strong Team Showing

"Our team this year was very strong, but the lack of people wrestling in the lower weights hurt us."

Don Herrmann

The Junior Varsity Wrestling team, under the direction of Coach Dan Pugh, ended a very successful season with a dual meet record of seven wins and four losses. The JV grapplers wrestled to a 4-3 conference mark. It was in big tournaments, however, that the Bees turned in their most impressive performances.

The high point of the season was a first place finish at the eighteen team Vermillion JV Tournament. Several Medina wrestlers managed to finish first at this tournament, including Alex Hiller, Lenny Mullens, Jeff Wilson, and Vlada Mardovin. In the Cleveland Heights Sophomore Tournament, the Bees were able to place second among a tough field of many schools. The JV wrestlers also finished in fourth place at the North Royalton Junior Varsity Tournament.

Many individuals had outstanding performances on the JV squad this season. Among these, sophomore Brian Wallace posted an impressive undefeated record of 7-0. Also turning in outstanding records were sophomore Vlada Mardovin and junior Jeff Wilson. Mardovin finished his season with a record of 16-2 while Wilson was 11-2. Sophomore Chris Kobak contributed much as he ended up with an overall record of 12-4.

The freshman team posted a final record of five wins and six losses. Four of these victories came in conference competition as the Frosh ended up at 4-3 in the SWC. The Freshmen, who were coached by Jim Hewitt, competed in the Vermillion Freshman Tournament, in which they finished eleventh, and the Avon Lake Tournament, where they placed sixth.

Top-Junior Jeff Wilson shows his opponent who's boss in the opening period. Sophomore Chris Kobak, finishing with a 12-4 record, puts the wrap on his North Olmsted opponent. (Below)

Junior Varsity Wrestling Team Row 1: M. Cassidy, J. Hogan, B. Krosse, K. Cornell, C. Mullen, B. Wallace, K. Kelly; ***Row 2:*** C. Kobak, C. Clapper, C. Cornell, V. Mardovin, J. Wilson, D. Herrmann, Pat Dunbrach; ***Row 3:*** Coach J. Hewitt, Coach J. Lavery, Coach D. Pugh, Coach R. Hamblin.

Won 7 Lost 4

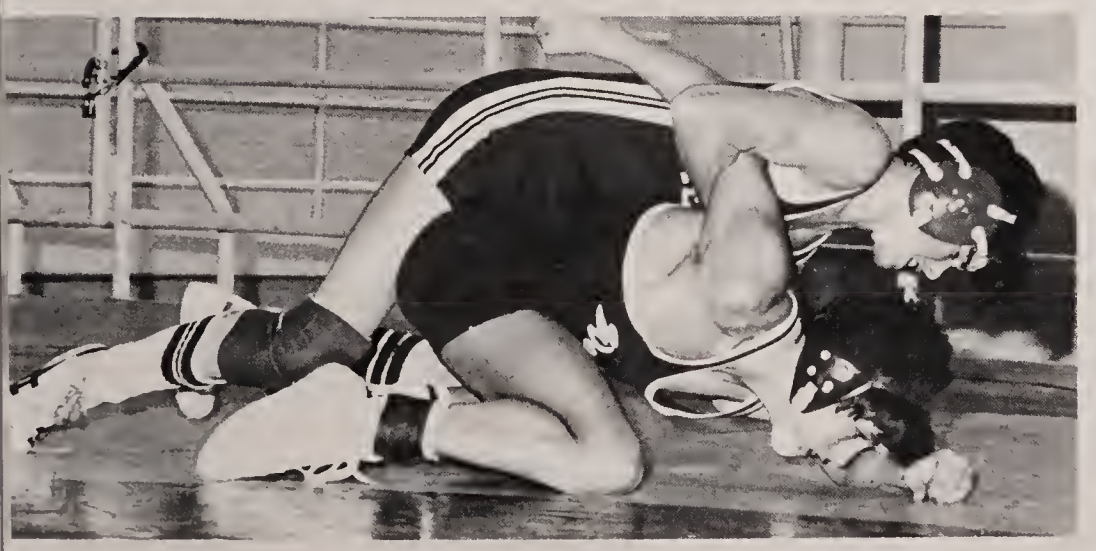
JV Scorecard

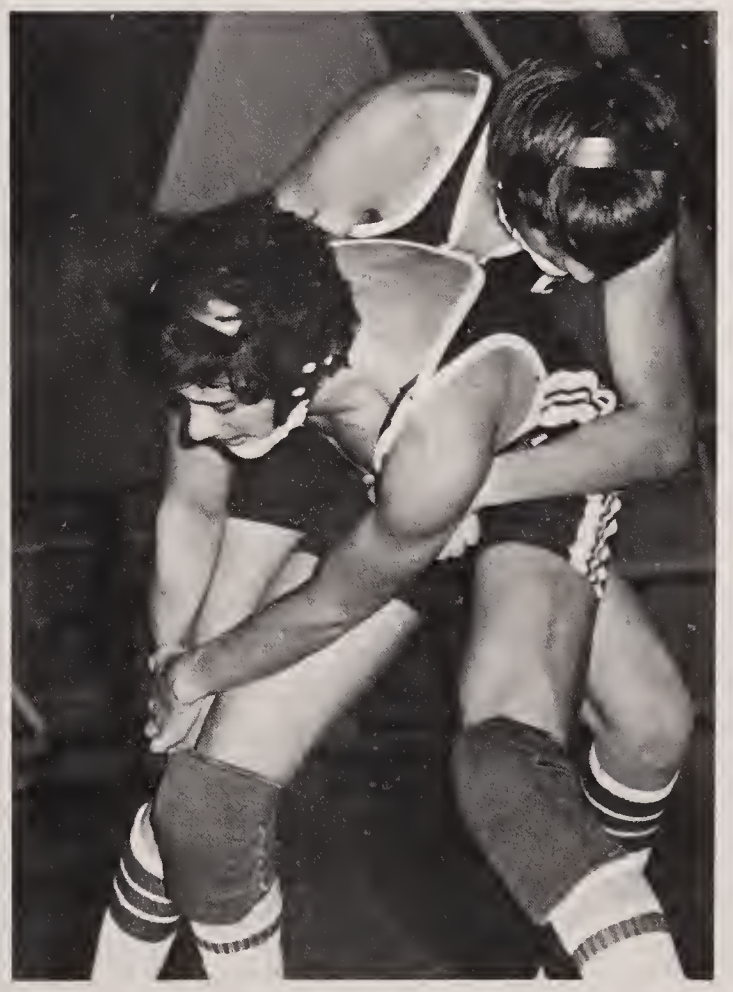
	Medina	Opponent
Avon Lake	36	23
Massillon Jackson	36	18
Kent Roosevelt	29	9
North Olmsted	16	47
Westlake	37	28
Olmsted Falls	22	51
Bay Village	40	12
Rocky River	30	27
Highland	27	21
Fairview	25	27
Lake Catholic	18	45

Won 5 Lost 6

Freshman Wrestling

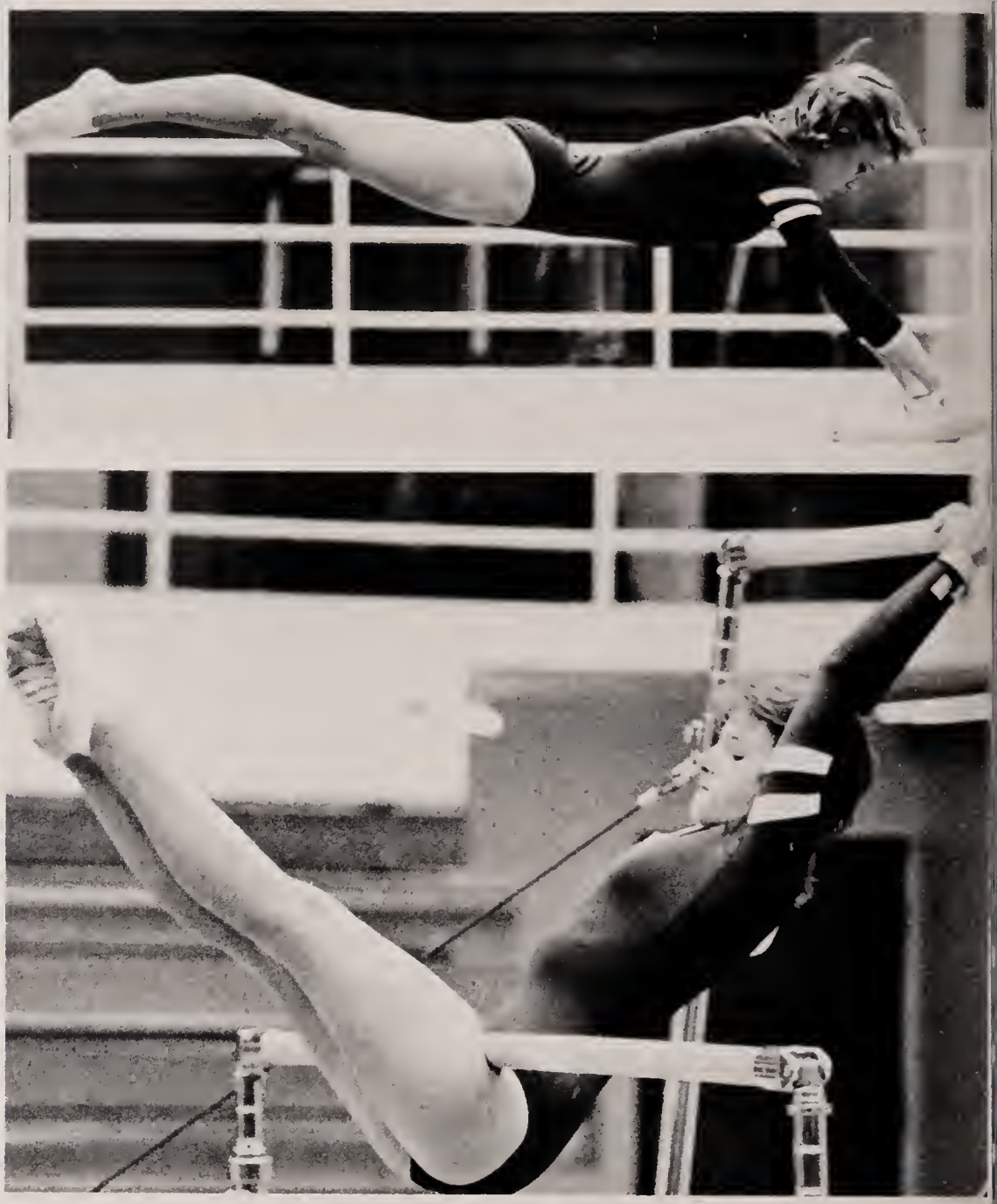
	Medina	Opponent
Rocky River	43	38
Copley	30	43
Avon Lake	51	12
Ashland	24	41
Westlake Burneson	17	52
Fairview	25	27
Bay Village	36	25
Ashland	27	47
Copley	30	18





Junior Nate Krans (top) shows his aggressive style of wrestling while freshmen Larry Winslow (above) and Mike Kitchen (bottom) get the best of their opponents.

Freshman Wrestling Team Row 1: L. Winslow, D. Mardovin, M. Kitchen, D. Rutter; ***Row 2:*** B. Hamblen, A. Krejci, T. Costello, S. Cornell, K. Fringer; ***Row 3:*** Coach J. Hewitt, Coach J. Lavery, Coach D. Patterson, Coach D. Pugh, Coach R. Hamblen.



Debbie Underwood

Gazette Prep Athlete of the Week, 2nd in SWC, highest optional score on beam at state meet, District and state qualifier, 7th in state on the beam

Won 11 Lost 4

Gymnastics Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
North Royalton	86.37	78.45
Highland	85.34	75.46
Wadsworth	85.34	76.475
North Olmsted	90.085	82.74
Bay Village	89.135	85.675
Brecksville	88.555	86.83
Midview	87.875	76.32
Rocky River	87.875	91.215
Rocky River	73.4	82.9
Strongsville	78.45	89.00
Canton McKinley	78.45	75.25
North Olmsted	74.85	75.25
Bay Village	76.2	79
Midview	81.75	71.95
Buckeye	81.75	69.65

Upper left-Junior B.J. Butler hangs in the air as she dismounts from the balance beam. *Upper right*-Debbie Underwood shows her state qualifying form in the uneven bars. *Middle Right*-Jennifer Lynham shows the concentration it takes to perform on the uneven bars. Debbie Underwood does another difficult move on the balance beam. (A)

Underwood Advances To State Competition

"Finishing second in the conference was great, but watching Debbie go to state and making new friends was best."
Karyn Sands

For the second year in a row the Medina gymnasts advanced a competitor to the state meet — junior Debbie Underwood. The team as a whole ended their season with a record of eleven wins and four losses. In the conference the gymnasts finished in second place with a record of 3-3. They also placed second at the conference tournament.

Debbie Underwood was one of the standouts on this year's team. As the team's outstanding gymnast in the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and all around, Debbie managed to qualify for the state gymnastics meet in Dublin, Ohio. In the overall competition, Debbie placed twenty-seventh in the state, while she was seventh overall in the balance beam. Among her other accomplishments, Debbie finished in second place overall in the SWC and was bonored as the Medina ***Gazette*** Prep Athlete of the Week. Debbie commented, "I was very pleased with the season. I think we had a real good team and we should be even better next year."

Junior B.J. Butler also had a very outstanding season. B.J., who had a string of 35 consecutive victories in the vault snapped this season, qualified for the district meet for the third straight year. B.J. was the team's outstanding gymnast in the vault and shared the honor with Debbie in the floor exercise. She also was chosen as an all-conference gymnast for the third straight year. Head Coach Rich Clevidence and assistant coaches Judy Butler and Sharon Kisilewicz also pointed out great individual performances from gymnasts Karyn Sands, Diane Syrek, Amy Watko, Lauri Eiserlo, and Jennifer Lynham.

Sophomore Diane Syrek prepares for a dismount on the balance beam. (A) ***Gymnastics Team Row 1:*** D. Underwood, S. Paxson, S. Smith; ***Row 2:*** Coach R. Clevidence, K. Henighan, J. Leu, D. Syrek, K. Sands, J. Lynham, Coach S. Kisilewicz; ***Row 3:*** A. Watko, L. Paxson, L. Eiserlo, M. Ducar, K. Morrison (G)

Varsity Baseball

Rain Dampens. But Can't Drown Hot Hitting

"I wish we could have gone further in tournament play, but at least we won the conference."
Mark Wilson

The Varsity Baseball team collected their second straight Southwestern Conference Championship. They recorded a 15 win, 3 loss season which included a 10 game winning streak their last ten games. Sounds like a perfect season so what could possibly go wrong?

The weather!

The team could never seem to overcome it and as a result were forced to cancel or postpone many games this year. Despite the over abundance of rain, however, the team did manage to accomplish much this season.

One of the team's most impressive accomplishments was its hitting. As a result the team averaged 11 runs a game. Individually, Roger Corey led the team in batting with a .527 average. This broke the previous school record of .515 set by Colin Grimm a year earlier. Grimm was again a valuable hitter as he sent four pitches over the fence for a new home run record. Also contributing to the hitting attack was Chris Brown, Mark Wilson and Mark Hubbard, who all batted above .400.

Backing up the hitting was an excellent pitching staff led by Bill Crocker. Crocker had five victories in as many starts. He had a 1.16 ERA and struck out 49 batters. Mike Hosey also did a fine job on the mound this season for the team.

Since Medina dominated the conference with a 13-1 record, it's no wonder that so many players were named all- conference. Leading the team was Colin Grimm who was named First Team for the second year. Joining Grimm was Mark Wilson, Roger Corey, Bill Crocker, Chris Brown, and Frank Cureton. Crocker was also named the conference's most valuable player while Brown picked up the team MVP Award.

Top — Bill Crocker shows the form which led him to be named the MVP of the conference. (D) (***center***) Catcher Scott Rager waits for the throw at home plate during a 17-6 victory over Bay Village. (D) (***bottom***) Team MVP Chris Brown grimaces as a Wadsworth runner beats the throw to second base. (D)

Won 15 Lost 3

Baseball Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Wooster	1	4
Westlake	18	1
Brunswick	13	10
Olmsted Falls	5	0
Rocky River	24	6
Fairview	3	5
North Olmsted	19	6
Wadsworth	4	5
Strongsville	12	3
Bay Village	10	0
Olmsted Falls	9	3
Avon Lake	7	2
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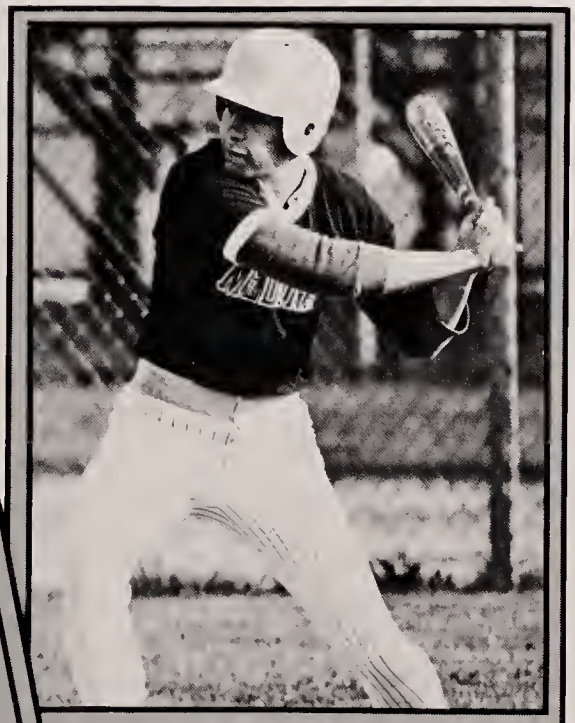
Rocky River	18	11
Bay Village	17	6
Fairview	12	1
North Olmsted	16	7
Westlake	11	2



Roger Corey
*Batting Average .527
*Slugging % .909
*On-Base .681
*New Records

Varsity Baseball Team

Front Row: K. Zemnickas, R. Ducar, C. Brown, M. Hosey, M. Hubbard, S. Rager, P. Effinger, J. Kumbier; ***Row 2:*** Coch D. Weygandt, F. Cureton, R. Corey, T. Pleiman, J. Kesller, B. Crocker, M. Wilson, C. Grimm, S. Hall

(Top) Colin Grimm, who set a new home run record of four, shows he can field as well as bat. Grimm led the team in fielding with a .992 average. ***(Above) Junior Jeff*** Kessler comes off the mound to make a catch. Kessler had two victories this year while pitching.

JV Baseball Team Front Row: S. Jaklitsch, L. Paladino, A. Hiller, G. Takas, L. Mullen, C. Hughes, D. Cooper, G. Mizerik, S. Hynes; ***Row 2:*** Coach J. Weinczkowski, J. Zimmerman, J. Zoller, S. Dix, R. Baker, S. Wingard, D. Radecki, J. Patneau, M. Metzger

Freshmen Baseball Team Front Row: R. Farren, R. Campbell, C. Kolesar, R. Stout, H. Burgdorfer, T. Lesiak, R. Glasenapp, T. Colonius, D. Steirer; ***Back Row:*** B. Moon, S. Kinstle, D. Mudd, J. Steward, M. Newton, D. Layton, J. Kane, T. Jones, T. Costello, Coach N. Chesney

Freshman star Darren Mudd just makes homeplate in time to be called safe.

JV Scorecard

Won 9 Lost 7

	Medina	Opponent
Wooster	3	7
Brunswick	4	0
Westlake	10	16
Olmsted Falls	6	9
Rocky River	2	7
Fairview	5	4
North Olmsted	6	9
Bay Village	9	7
Olmsted Falls	4	0
Avon Lake	9	10
Avon Lake	3	0
Rocky River	6	3
Bay Village	7	12
Fairview	6	5
North Olmsted	9	7
Westlake	12	9

Won 8 Lost 3

Frosh Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Bay Village	15	11
Bay Village	7	3
Glen Oak	9	11
Glen Oak	11	7
St. Edwards	5	3
St. Edwards	6	11
Rocky River	12	0
Bay Village	10	9
Bay Village	15	16
Lakewood	10	4
North Ridgeville	11	6

JV/Frosh Baseball

Wet Start Can't Stop Winning Season

"Playing with Mike "Roger" Metzger has been a dream come true. He has the strongest arm in the school and he hits for power, too!"

Scott Dix

"Throughout the beginning of the season we suffered a lot of rainouts and lazy attitudes, but we came back when it was necessary to finish 9 and 7, and winning 7 of our last 9 games," said JV pitcher James Patneau.

Although they got off to a wet start this year, the JV team dried themselves out soon enough to end up with a winning season.

"I was upset that we didn't do any better," said junior Greg Mizerik. This was how most of the team felt about the season. "We worked hard, but nothing ever really came of it," Greg said.

"Lenny Mullen was our best overall player," said Coach Jim Wienczkowski. Lenny was one of the best players. With a .469 batting average and an amazing thirteen stolen bases, he was tough to beat.

Wienczkowski concluded with ". . . the team as a whole was great!"

The Freshman team had a somewhat more successful season. Finishing with an 8 and 3 season, the team was led in hitting by Darren Mudd. Coach Neil Chesney said, "This year's freshman team was characterized by good offense led by powerful hitting. If the defense can match that they could be unbeatable as seniors."

Sophomore Scott "Willy" Wingard, the only left-handed pitcher on the team, throws another strike.

JV player extradordinare Scott Dix attempts to steal another base.

Varsity Softball Continues To Improve

"The weather, illness, and injuries hurt us, but it was a good team and we'll be even better next year."
Marne Fauber

The Varsity Softball team finished third in the Southwest conference. They had a winning season for the second consecutive year and posted their first sectional tournament win in the five years Medina has had softball. Each year the team seems to build on the previous season and has improved stated Coach Ron Tisher.

However, the team was faced with some obstacles this season. The biggest problem was the weather which was responsible for cancelling fifteen games. "It's hard to build momentum when games keep getting cancelled," said Tisher. Momentum would have been helpful as the team faced a tough schedule. Six of the team's losses were to teams advancing to at least district tournament competition.

Several girls turned in fine seasons for the team. Chris DiClemente hit the school's first grand slam homerun. Chris was named to the all-conference first team as a result of her fine performances throughout the season. Chris Niese proved to be valuable at the plate and was named to the all-conference second team, as was Wendi Feeser.

On the mound Leslie Kramer and Marne Fauber gave strong showings. Leslie pitched a one hitter and had a no-hitter rained out while Marne recorded a two-hitter.

The Junior Varsity softball team, coached by Scott Van Fleet, finished with a 7-1 record. The Varsity team has ten letter winners returning along with a solid JV team moving up. With this in mind, the team is looking to improve even more next season.

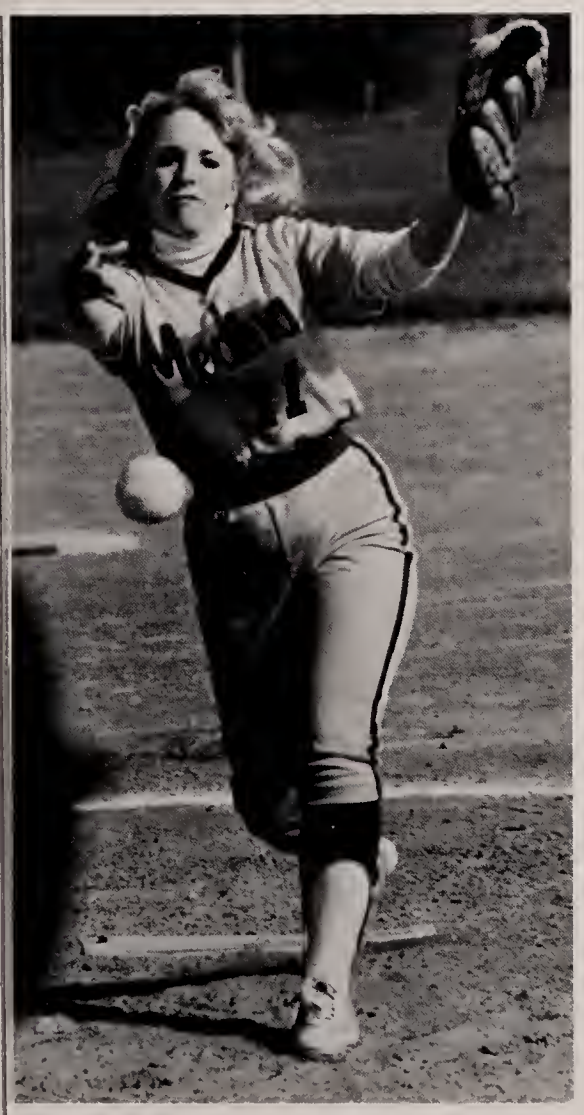
Lisa Finley waits defensively for the ball to be hit her way. Lisa said she's looking forward to next season when the team should have its best season ever. (A)

Margaret Murphy waits for the ball to reach her at third base. The runner had already made it safely to third, however. (D)

Varsity Softball Row 1: L. Finley, W. Feeser, C. Niese, M. Fauber, M. Haumesser; *Row 2:* L. Omwake, M. Murphy, D. Miller, L. MacMillan, A. Arehart, J. Hinkel, W. Florian, Coach R. Tisher (A)

JF Softball Row 1: B. Vanuch, R. Bell, T. Tober, K. Hiller; *Row 2:* K. Burke, J. Burg, K. Cavanagh, A. Whitnable, V. Gilles, Coach S. Van Fleet (A)

Pitcher Marne Fauber sits with catcher Wendi Feeser talking strategy before taking the field. Marne pitched a two- hitter while Wendi was named second team All-SWC this season.



Chris DiClemente
First Team All-SWC
First Grand Slam Homerun

Leslie Kramer releases a pitch which is most likely to be a strike. Leslie had a one hitter and a no-hitter rained out this season. (D)

Won 8 Lost 7

Softball Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Wadsworth	19	2
Westlake	4	1
Olmsted Falls	0	5
Glen Oaks	2	11
Fairview	14	4
North Olmsted	0	15
North Ridgeville	17	8
Rocky River	10	11
Olmsted Falls	17	4
Brunswick	2	13
Nordonia	1	3
Cloverleaf	15	9
Cloverleaf	11	10
Rocky River	0	2
Fairview	15	5

Senior Captain Tim Liezert and junior Mike Blakslee finish one-two in the mile against Strongsville.

Freshman Tom Sency clears the bar at 5' 6" at one of the two indoor meets at Ashland College. During the year Tom cleared 5' 6", one inch short of the freshman record. (A)

Boys Track Team Row 1: S. Graber, K. Kelly, D. Wagner, E. Shellito, M. Pilarski, A. Perrea, J. Brown, T. Sency; *Row 2:* N. Gaete, D. States, K. Whalen, P. Whitmarsh, J. Toom, K. Walter, B. Sutandar, D. Brown, M. Gregory, T. Dietrichs, J. Griffor, M. Chesney, B. Shellito, P. Selmants, K. Walter, J. Huddilston, T. Liezert, R. Law; *Row 3:* J. Notarianni, D. Tripepi, J. Frantz, M. Durand, C. Croucher, R. Tretsch, J. Cavanagh, E. Ware, M. Blakslee, R. Sency, S. Schwandt. (A)

Won 8 Lost 2
Track Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Berea	80	84
Highland	80	3
Strongsville	95	37
Rocky River	96 1/2	35 1/2
Fairview	83	49
North Olmsted	82	50
Avon Lake	96	36
Bay Village	80 1/2	51 1/2
Olmsted Falls	80	52
Westlake	60 1/2	71 1/2

Andy Perrea

1st in SWC shot and discus; Two individual school records and two school relay records; district, regional, and state qualifier in shot and discus.

Strong Team Effort Marks Season

Boys' Track

"We had a really great season but with a little luck we could have won conference."
Tim Liezert

A strong team effort and many outstanding individual performances led the varsity track team to one of its best seasons ever. The team finished with a dual meet record of 8-2 and second place in the SWC.

The Bees also placed well in many big meets. In the county meet Medina overcame a strong field to claim the county championship. At the conference meet, which was held at Medina, the Bees finished second to a strong Westlake team. Individual conference champs for Medina were senior Andy Perrea in the shot put and the discus and junior Mike Blakslee in the 3200 meter run.

Many records were set this year by both individuals and various relay teams. Andy Perrea set two school records in the shot put and discus. Andy threw 55' 7 3/4" in the shot put and 158' 4" in the discus. Relay records were also set in the shot put and discus relay. The team of Andy Perrea, Eugene Ware, and Keith Walter threw 148' 11" in the shot put relay, while Perrea, Ware, and Joe Brown threw 428' 11" in the discus relay. Andy Perrea also qualified individually for the state meet in both the shot put and the discus. Perrea finished 9th in the discus and 15th in the shot put.

Coach Jim Demo was very pleased with the team's performance. He commented, "This was the most outstanding team effort I've seen in my eighteen years of coaching." Demo was named outstanding coach in the SWC for the '84 season.

Senior Andy Perrea, showing his winning form, finishes first in the conference shot put. Andy also qualified for state in both the shot and discus while breaking two school records. (D) ***Seniors Tor Dietrichs*** and Mike Chesney lead the first lap of the mile at Ken Dukes Stadium where the Bees beat perennial foe Strongsville. (A)

Girls' Track

Uncooperative Weather But Team Prevails

"We worked hard, but it was worth it; you get out of it exactly what you put in."

Kristy Brewer

While wind, rain, and abnormally low temperatures worked to ruin perfect training days, the girls' track team practiced techniques and gained strength and entered the warming meet season with outstanding performances. One of the major goals attained was reclaiming the MIT crown which the team took from Wadsworth.

As the season progressed, other great performances occurred. Medina placed third at the SWC meet and many new records were set including: Kristi Weygandt's long jump of 17' 9", Cathy Gilles' shot put of 34' 1", the 300 meter low hurdle record of 48.9 set by Karyn Sands and equalled by Chris Scherer, and Julie Shaffer's 12:16.2 in the 3200 meter run. In addition to breaking records the girls' team beat Bay and qualified five individuals to regionals: the 3200 meter relay team of Kristi Weygandt, Katie Richardson, Julie Shaffer, and Jennifer Chidsey, Karyn Sands in the 100 meter low hurdles, Julie Shaffer in the 3200 meter run, and Kristi Weygandt went on and qualified for state.

Other highlights were getting new uniforms and sweats, and having eight people named to the second team SWC: Lauri Greer, Michelle Lewis, Sue Paxson, and Katie Richardson (4 x 100 relay); Wendy Neal (high jump); Karyn Sands (300 meter hurdles); Chris Scherer (100 meter hurdles); Kristi Weygandt (long jump, 400 meter dash).

For the girls' track team led by captains Jennifer Chidsey, Shelly Pull, Katie Richardson and Kristi Weygandt, hard practice paid off and helped them to overcome the setbacks the weather provided. "Practice was hard, but practice makes perfect," said sophomore Karyn Sands. As made obvious by their accomplishments practice perfected the efforts of this team.

For performances like her record breaking throw of 34' 1" in the shot, Cathy Gilles was named outstanding field performer. (A)

Freshman Jen King laces on her spikes prior to the 300 meter low hurdles. The best part of track according to her is when "I could finally three step and when we beat Wadsworth."
(A)

Most improved performer for the season, Wendy Neal grits her teeth and jumps a personal best of 5' 0" in the high jump. (D)

Girls' Track Team Row 1: (captains) S. Pull, K. Weygandt, K. Richardson, J. Chidsey; ***Row 2:*** L. Soto, D. Mardavich, W. Neal, C. Scherer, K. Brewer, J. Shaffer, K. Sands, S. Paxson, L. Greer, M. Franz, C. Lowry, N. Greminger; ***Row 3:*** J. Pacholski, J. LeBlanc, L. Miller, K. King, K. Phillips, M. Akers, K. Hinkle, D. Madsen, E. Lowry, K. Stockman, L. Foose; ***Row 4:*** Coach M. Osterland, Coach G. Clark, C. Cody, K. Lavan, C. Gilles, L. Werstak, D. Piskach, K. Ejze, B. Dietrichs, T. Glover, B. Dague, M. Lewis, Coach J. Semenik, Coach D. Walker (A)

MVP Kristi Weygandt was regional runner-up in the long jump, allowing her to advance to state with her jump of 17' 9". (A)

Kristi Weygandt

MVP, 2nd team SWC long jump and 400 meters; State Qualifier in long jump; new school record of 17' 9" in long jump.

Won 7 Lost 4

Track Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Wadsworth	67	61
Cuyahoga Falls	55	77
Revere	55	32
Rocky River	84	44
Magnificat	60	68
Fairview	88	40
North Olmsted	68	60
Bay Village	85	43
Avon Lake	44 1/2	83 1/2
Westlake	81	47
Olmsted Falls	56	72

Running the 3200 meter, a new race for the girls, is junior distance ace Julie Shaffer. Shaffer repeatedly bettered her record and advanced to Regional competition in the event. (A)

Tennis Team Row 1: T. Shuman, B. See, J. Ocasek, M. McCoy, L. Shaefer, B. Scholtz, B. Doraty, K. Daugherty, C. Templin, J. Ebner, T. Lewis, C. Coleman, M. Goyette, P. Crooks; *Row 2:* Coach Kelly, Mrs. Kelly, C. Downing, E. Miller, T. Gareffa, G. Chalfant, J. Cesare, S. Fuller, E. Stanczak, J. Cragar, T. Wyles, B. Greinke; *Row 3:* R. Stratman, M. Jablonowski, A. Lewis, E. Smietana, D. George, R. Smudz, D. Mardavich, M. Kohan, P.J. King, D. Cooper, M. Malone, M. Chronister, M. Stadnik, A. King, M. Mason, T. Doyle

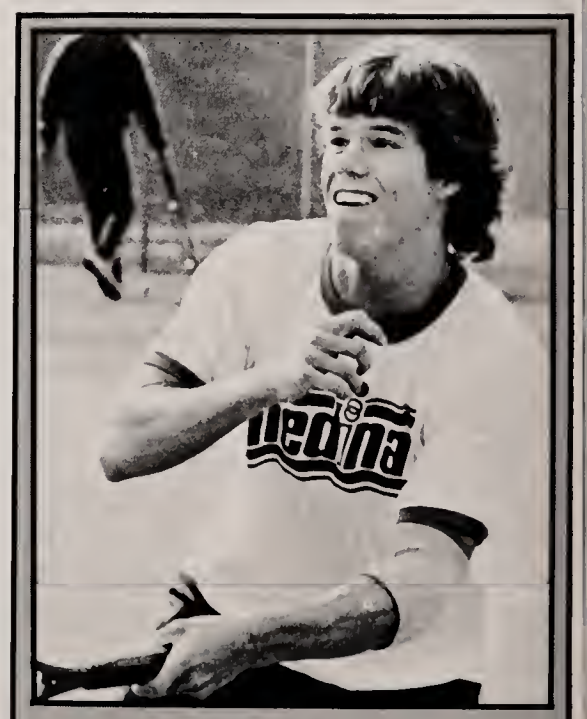
Sophomore John Cragar shows his concentration. He was the only sophomore on the white team and had a fifth place rank.

Reaching out to return the ball, junior Drew Cooper displays the grace and physical strength necessary for a good tennis player.

Won 13 Lost 6

Tennis Scorecard

	Medina	Opponent
Westlake	3	2
Hudson	5	0
Akron Firestone	4	1
Rocky River	4	1
Ashland	5	0
Upper Arlington	1	3
Youngstown	2	3
Cardinal Mooney	5	0
Westlake	4	2
Columbus Academy	4	1
Toledo Ottawa Hills	4	1
Wadsworth	2	3
Rocky River	5	0
Fairview	1	4
Western Reserve Academy	5	0
Revere	2	3
Lorain Admiral King	2	3
Shaker Heights	4	1
Bay Village	4	1
Bay Village		



Andrew King

Ranked 1st on the team; season record 26 wins, 10 losses; Quarter finals in Districts; First All SWC team

Top Seven Meet Success In Sensational Season

"The dedication of the top seven players was the strong point of the team as well as our outstanding coach, Mr. Kelly." (pictured left)

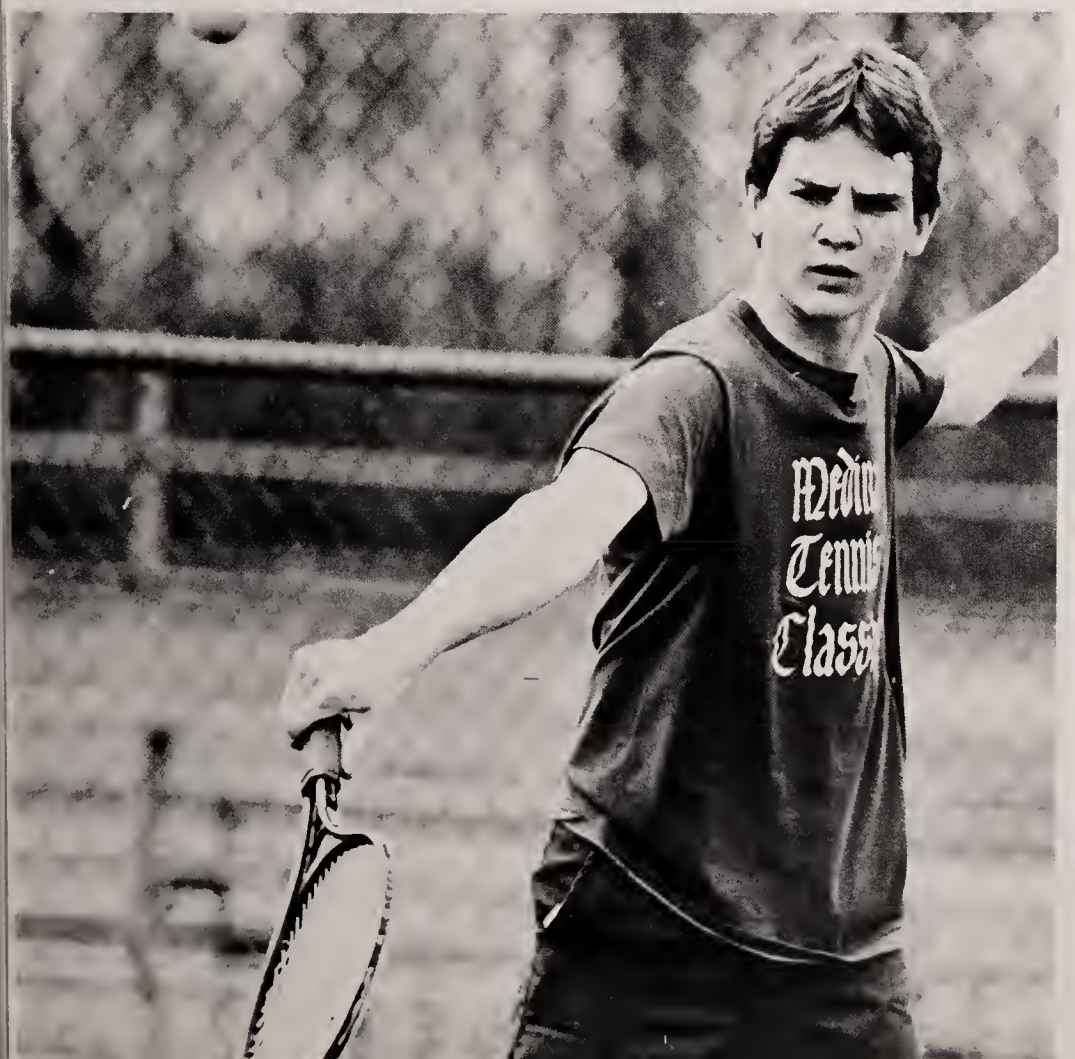
Tony Gareffa

For the third consecutive year, the Medina boys' tennis team won the Southwestern Conference and the SWC tournament. Medina and Rocky River finished with an identical 13-1 record, but due to Medina's win of the SWC tournament, Rocky River was edged out of the number one spot. Coach John Kelly commented, "One of the highlights this year was winning the SWC title after coming back from behind."

Individual accomplishments were many. In the sectional tournament, five players qualified to the district tournament. Matt Chronister, Mark Malone, Mark Stadnick, and Tim Doyle all went in doubles while Andrew King gave Medina its first sectional singles title in over a decade. The top seven players which include Andrew King, Mark Malone, Matt Chronister, Martin Kohan, John Cragar, Mark Stadnik, and Tim Doyle all made the first or second SWC team. Tony Gareffa explained his reason for success, "The dedication of the top seven players was the strong point of the team as well as our outstanding coach, Mr. Kelly."

The white team, which consists of the top seven players, ended the season with an overall record of 13-6 and an SWC record of 6-1. Fairing even better, the green team ended the season with an overall record of 15-2 and an undefeated SWC record. Drew Cooper predicted, "If we play to our potential, we can be strong again next year."

Medina's JV team had a good year. They finished with a 6-2 record. Kevin Daugherty commented, "I had a really good time and plan to play throughout my high school years."



Junior Matt Chronister practices his forehand before going to the district tournament. Matt was third for singles on the First All SWC team.

Determination and endurance are two qualities Dan George showed as a successful member of the Green Team.

New Coaches and a New Conference

The Year In Sports

The 1983-84 sports season was one of both individual accomplishment and team championships. It included excitement as well as disappointment. It was the year to step down as four coaches decided to retire or resign from five major sports. Athletics is a large part of Medina and this is what made the year in sports.

The fall sports season began early in July with practices and conditioning. That practice brought a winning season for the football team which finished at 6-4. This was the best finish in the last few years. Turning its best season ever was Varsity Soccer. The team recorded a 14-3-2 season which was the most wins ever.

Another team only knew how to win. The Girls' Tennis Team won 25 matches and lost only to Mentor in the state quarter finals. Rounding out the fall season were the cross country and volleyball teams which all finished with modest records.

Football and Soccer gave way to Basketball and Wrestling as the Winter Sports Season began. With Basketball it was hard to forget the state semi-finalist team of just a season before. This year's team, however, struggled through a season of disappointment. The Girls' Basketball Team also did not do as well as expected, but the JV girls' team did win the conference for the sixth consecutive season.

The Wrestling Team saw two members, James Van Rossem and Dave Wagner, advance to regional competition and then just miss going to state. The Gymnastic Team, though, did see a member make it to state with Junior Debbie Underwood. Debbie helped lead the Gymnastics Team to an 11-4 season.

The tries to Columbus for state competition were also seen in the Spring Sports season. Kristi Weygandt and Andy Perrea participated in the state track meet.

Team championships were also present during the spring as the Varsity Baseball and Boys' Tennis teams won the Southwestern Conference, while the Softball Team turned in its second winning season.

Kristi Weygandt lunges forward in the long jump. Kristi qualified for the state track meet along with Andy Perrea. (D)

Scott Rager releases a pitch while helped lead the baseball team to a 19-6 win over North Olmsted and the conference championship. (A)

Change can best be expected for the future due to a series of retirements and resignations by coaches. Alan Cooksey retired from coaching football, while Alan Darner will be leaving Medina to coach basketball elsewhere. John Kelly will no longer be tennis coach for the boys' and girls' teams after building an excellent tennis program at Medina and Dale Weygandt decided this would be his last year as baseball coach. The biggest change, however, was the decision for Medina to leave the Southwest Conference and join the Pioneer Conference with the start of the 1985-86 school year.

These events and others are what made the year in sports and what makes the sports so much of the school.

Accomplishments

ALL SWC

Mike Blakslee
B.J. Butler
Chris DiClemente
Jon Edinger
Andy Perrea
Scott Roper
Ron Sency
Debbie Underwood
Eugene Ware
Dave Wagner

First Team — Tennis

Matt Chronister
Tim Doyle
Dan George
Jennifer Hinkel
Liz Jaeger
Merritt Jones
Andrew King
Martin Kohan
Chris Niese
Melissa Schultz
Mark Stadnik

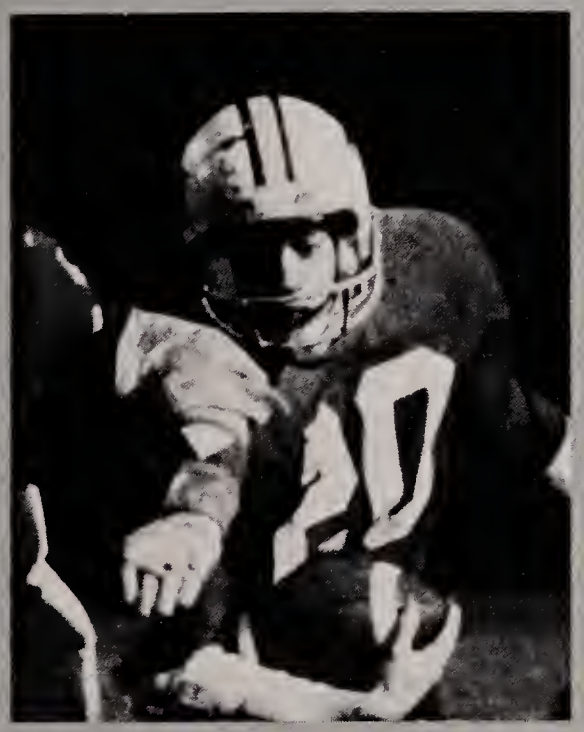
First Team — Baseball

Chris Brown
Roger Corey
Bill Crocker
Frank Cureton
Colin Grimm
Mark Wilson

Junior Matt Chronister and the boys' tennis team will be without Coach John Kelly next season, but the team won the conference for his final year as coach. (A)

Sports Wrap-Up

Coach Jim Hewitt, Dave Wagner, and Mike Bogdan watch a wrestling match against Olmsted Falls. Wagner and Bogdan were an instrumental part of the varsity team. (B)



Junior Ron Sency led the football team with over 1300 yards rushing as the team turned in a 6-4 record. (D)

Jennifer Hinkel and Chris Niese are all smiles and with good reason. They and their tennis teammates recorded 25 victories this year. (A)

Sophomore Diane Syrek goes through her routine on the uneven bar. The gymnastics team turned in a fine season (below). (A)

Karl Fennell exclaims victory as the soccer team picks up another win. The varsity soccer completed their best season ever. (D)

"I'll always remember the Akron Division Championship game and my hat trick when we were down 1-0."
Chris Brown

For other seniors most memorable games, see page 132.

It was a turn around season for boys' basketball led by Scott (W.B.) Dix and John (Moyer) Meier.

Cheerleaders
The Link of Spirit
"Give Me An 'M' . . ."

Cindy Bluebaugh: "People think cheerleading is just there for popularity but it's more than that; it has a purpose."

What is green and white and has an awesome amount of spirit? The answer is the Medina Cheerleaders. Whether it be football, soccer, basketball, or wrestling, Bee Cheerleaders support each team with their pep and energy.

Cheerleading is actually a sport by itself. It takes a lot of coordination and endurance, not to mention the long hours of practice after school to learn and perfect each cheer and chant.

For most girls it takes time at home as well, for additional stretching and practice. If nothing else cheering for your favorite team can keep you in great shape. But for junior Lori Marchiano, cheering her first year for varsity football and basketball, it means a lot more. "It is a good feeling to be united with other people and respecting our advisers."

This year the junior varsity football and basketball squads along with the soccer and wrestling squads attended Ashland College for summer camp. The girls brought home the spirit stick and superior ribbons. "We were all happy that we did so well. It was a lot of fun when we had some visitors from Medina come to see us." said Amy Ingraham, junior varsity basketball cheerleader.

The varsity football and basketball cheerleaders attended Ohio State for a two day camp at the end of August. The cheers and chants learned were taught by Ohio State Cheerleaders.

"Even though the camp lasted half as long as in past years, we learned just as much, if not more." said senior Neica Lungaro. The girls obviously learned just that for they took third place in cheer competition. "One of the squads that we competed against was deaf," said senior captain Elizabeth Cypher, "yet they were able to keep together and they looked pretty sharp."

This year the football cheerleaders had an additional responsibility of organizing the new Spirit Boosters Club. This club replaces the traditional Grid Sisters, a spirit organization. The club made signs and decorated lockers for the players.

At right junior soccer cheerleader Jocelyn Rog shows she's got spirit! (E) ***At bottom the cheerleaders*** united at the homecoming game and gave it all they had, even though our Bees were defeated by Avon Lake. (G)

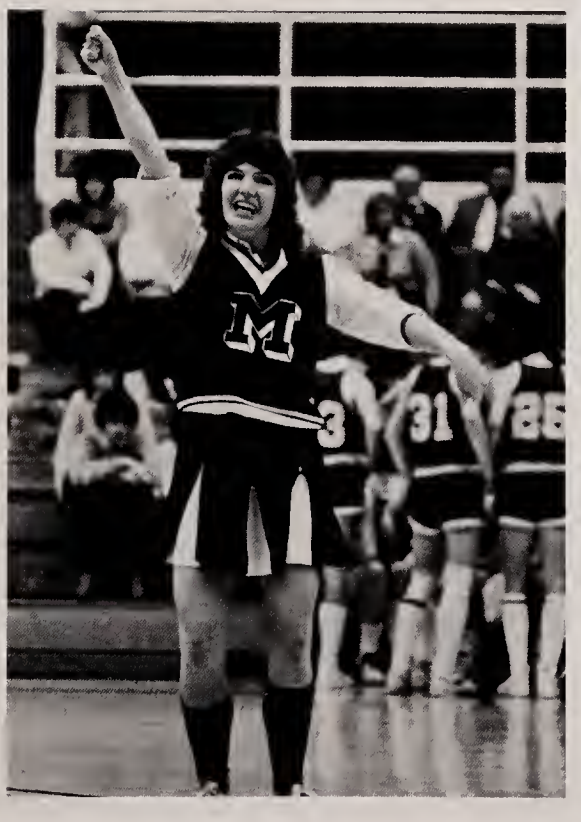
Elizabeth Cypher: Adviser Jeanne Pritchard said, "Elizabeth was an excellent captain, helping each squad develop."

Neica Lungaro: "This was the best squad because everyone got along so well."

Tammy Nemetz: "It was a really good squad both person wise and competition wise.

Katie Richardson: "Cheering was an important part of high school. Cheering our basketball team to state was the best."

Tracey Robinson: "It was a lot of fun being a cheerleader and good experience."



Lori Marchiano, Neica Lungaro and Kristen Hiller were the "Three Muskateers" for the camera during the homecoming football game.

Neica Lungaro and Lori Marchiano attempt a mount with Katie Richardson as a spotter.

Soccer cheerleader Kelli Morrison said, "It was great to cheer for such a winning soccer team this year," as the team was Akron Division II champs.

Basketball cheerleader Jenny Redick, a sophomore, shows the dedication it takes to be a spirited leader. (A)

Senior Athletes Recollect: What Was Your Most Memorable Game? Cooksey Closes Out Coaching Career

Memories

For many high school athletes, their sports career will end with graduation. Years from now they will look back and tell others about their shining moment or most memorable game. Though others may not remember, they will never forget that one game where they rushed for so many yards or scored the winning basket. The following is what some senior athletes will remember when they look back on their high school days.

Mark Wilson, who played football and baseball, felt the one event he would never forget was following a Medina win over Revere. All week the football team had prepared hard for the game, and it ended with a team brawl between Medina and Revere players. The fight, he said, put a dent in his memory and gave him a feeling he'd never forget. Teammate Mike Hosey said the Revere game left an impression on him also, but he felt his most memorable game was when he gained 134 yards against Fairview.

The most memorable game for John Meier and probably many Medina basketball fans was the regional final game against St. Joe's when Medina rallied to defeat them after being down by nineteen points. Though John was only a junior and did not play, he felt the victory was truly a team effort and he was proud to be part of it.

Kristi Weygandt said she'll remember being part of the state qualifying mile relay team while Colin Grimm will remember his long grand slam homerun his junior year against Cuyahoga Falls. Eugene Ware, however, will remember his whole football career which is probably the reason so many colleges wanted him to continue it.

Coach Cooksey

Whether it be teaching American History and Sociology or explaining a new play to the football team, Alan Cooksey is dedicated and concerned. Unfortunately, Mr. Cooksey will no longer be teaching new plays, because after twenty two years, he has decided to retire from coaching.

Mr. Cooksey has been a coach at Medina since 1970 and says the thing he will miss most are the Friday night games. When asked what his most memorable game was, Cooksey said the come — from — behind Homecoming victory over Avon Lake in 1975 when Keith Mains kicked a record breaking field goal in the final seconds. His most memorable season, however, was in 1973 when Medina finished at 8-2 and became Southwestern Conference Co-champs.

Cooksey stated that the greatest satisfaction he has gained from coaching is seeing and helping players do better than they thought they could. Football, he says, "is a neat game; it is the best team oriented sport and takes more commitment than any other sport."

Despite the end of his coaching career, Cooksey will continue to teach and continue to inspire students to do better than they thought they could.

Mr. Cooksey watches intently from the sidelines during one of his last games as head coach. Assistant coach Tom George looks on.

"I have enjoyed the times I've spent with Mr. Cooksey. He has been a fine coach and has given me many opportunities."

Dave Colonna

Mark Wilson

Mike Hosey

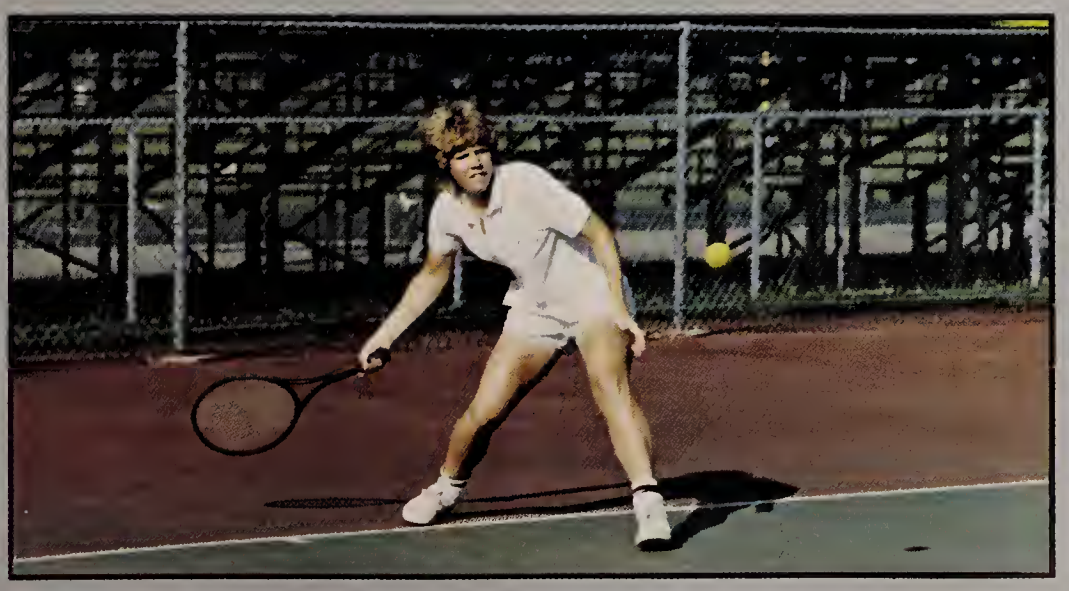
John Meier

Kristi Weygandt

Eugene Ware

A Look At Sports

Every athlete has that one game he or she will remember always. Perhaps these pictures will help keep those memories alive. Surely Mike Meadows, Scott Roper, Chris Croucher and Darryl Mason will never forget the honor of being football captains (pictured left) (E) ***Colin Grimm and John Meier*** will probably never forget the difference between basketball their junior and senior year. ***Bottom left,*** Colin is seen going up for two as John is close behind during a Medina victory over Highland. Senior Tom Judson prepares for a takedown against his opponent (below) (C) ***One thing that*** the tennis team will never forget is their outstanding season, but they feel everyone else has overlooked them, and therefore, they have labeled themselves "Medina's Best Kept Secret." Merritt Jones concentrates on this return as Medina rolled on to another of their twenty five victories (bottom). (A)



Cheerleaders
FROSH AND JV SQUADS GAIN EXPERIENCE; FRESHMAN YEAR IS ONLY THE BEGINNING . . .

For a selected few, freshman year can be just the beginning of a cheering experience that can last all four years of high school. The position on a squad isn't easy to get, for competition is tough. She must exert herself to the fullest and give it everything possible. That is primarily what the freshmen and JV squads intended to do this year. With pep and vigor, they gave the Bees' football and basketball teams that extra umph, which pulled them towards a winning season.

Whether our Bees were after another win or falling behind the crowd was kept alive by the cheerleaders. They did their best to keep the crowd on the edge of their seats and involved.

The reward of the Bee victory was often felt as much in the hearts of the girls as it was in the players themselves. A team unity developed between the cheerleaders and the players. Said Craig Notarianni, a sophomore on the JV basketball team, "The cheerleaders really help our team especially when we're in an important game; they get the crowd going and it makes our team play better."

Just as the cheerleaders need a team to cheer for, the players need the spirit of the girls behind them too, to keep their confidence with them.

Above, varsity cheerleader Neica Lungaro said, "Cheering for JV was a lot of fun and foolin' around; it gave me good experience though to make varsity which is a lot more serious."

United together the night of the homecoming parade are the soccer, JV and freshmen football cheerleaders, Dawn Kumbier, Jana Seeley, Tina Brackney, Brit Dietrichs, Carroll Williams, Jenny Barnes. Lori Lobinger, Kelli Morrison, Jocelyn Rog, Diane Syrek, B.J. Butler, Crystal Williams, Pam Wagner (missing from photo, Carrie Shultz).

"I especially like cheering for basketball since it's an indoor sport — you don't have to get cold!"

Catherine Grimm

At left — Kristy Brewer, JV basketball cheerleader.

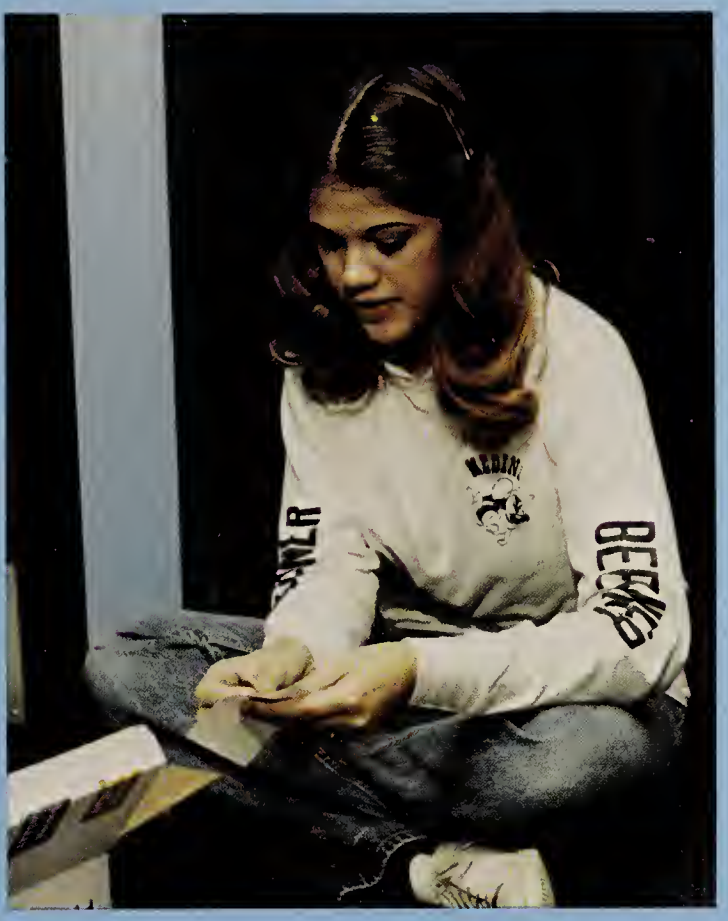
Wrestling Cheerleaders Tracey Peterson, Wendy Imig, Carrie Shultz, Jocelyn Rog, (captain), Elizabeth Jaeger, Karen Rebescher. (A)

Freshmen Basketball Cheerleaders Brit Dietrichs, Stacey Calister, Mary Ebeling, Jenny Barnes (captain), Catherine Grimm, Janine Tischke (A)

JVBasketballCheerleaders Lori Lobinger (captain), Kristen Hiller, Pam Keefer, Amy Ingraham, Kristy Brewer, Wendy Carol. (A)

People
Friends

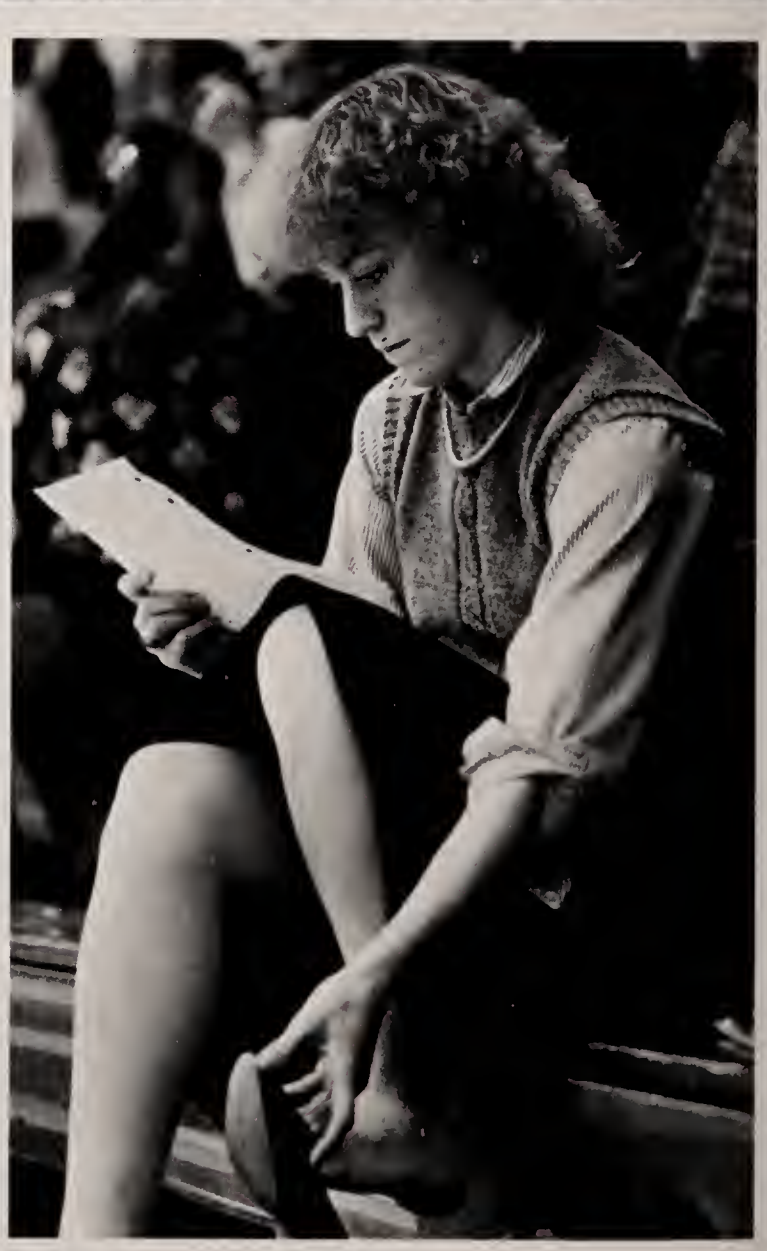
The ones you've fought with, cried and laughed with. The all night study sessions, dances, and the classes you took that were the same. You thought you'd know each other forever and never thought about a time without them, but The Future Is Now and all that remains are the memories that follow.



People, no matter what their interests, are all unique at Medina. Those who are talented or enjoy making others laugh perform in productions such as Spice. Donna Payne, John Bailey, Doug McMarlin, Kurt Gibson, and Tony Gareffa team up to do a skit from Saturday Night Live. John Downing, Kevin Dodge and Harold Burgdorfer appeared as Jane, The Ape, and Tarzan in their skit. ***A person to laugh with,*** a shoulder to cry on, people are friends too. Whether offering congratulations to presidential nominee Jesse Jackson (Darryl Mason) as Mary Beth Daubner, Amy Giovinazzo, and Laurie DeLuca choose to do, or clowning around in the bandroom like Mike McBride, Chip Kolesar, Jamie Bock, Craig Cornell, Lou Schaefer, Joanne Jeffries, Wendy Imig and Barb Seiple. ***People can be caught*** day to day doing many different things, and in different moods. Tracey Robinson reflects on a great play while Jennifer Chidsey glances down the sidelines. On the other hand, Jill Kumbier doesn't seem to be having an enjoyable time as she labels under class pictures in Yearbook.

John Bailey deserved a break in between activities in the fall. He managed to balance a schedule which included being editor of the ***Medinamite,*** playing a major role in the play "Our Town," serving as manager of the girls' tennis team, and taking A.P. History. (A)

After helping move mats during gymnastic's practice, Debbie Underwood sits on the gym floor to take a brief rest. (A)



Hard driving, intense competition was nothing new to the Akron Division II soccer champions so when they had a chance to relax, they did it in style. Pictured are John Cassidy, P.J. King, Jon Edinger, Eric Whitnable, Chris Brown, and Karl Fennell.

Alone in a crowd, Amy Arehart takes a moment to prepare herself for a Spanish test the next day. Amy, who was on the girls' JV basketball team, used every spare moment in order to study ***and*** be active in extracurricular events. (A)

Rushing to class, sophomores Keri Schultz and Kim Brecker sometimes felt they never had a minute to spare. (A)

Finding Leisure Time Takes Every Spare Minute

Throughout the hustle of the life of a Medina student, how does one find time to simply relax? Classes are approximately fifty minutes long and the time spent in between is used hurrying to the next class. It seems almost impossible to find spare time, but clever student always find ways to make time for relaxation.

Senior commons is the epitome of leisureliness in Medina — speak. Naturally, all good things come with time. If one is not a senior and decides to casually occupy this space during lunch, he is gaining leisure time at his own risk. "Harassment" by a group of unruly seniors can take all the fun out of leisure time.

Study hall is the grave alternative open to underclassmen and some unfortunate seniors. It is a depressing place, however, without the sacred music. Every year Walkmans infiltrate either the cafeteria, auditorium or guidance hall past unsuspecting teachers. This lasts about five minutes until the Walkman's owner realizes that everyone is staring at him, and not the person behind him. Depending on the teacher, having the Walkman in school and getting caught with it can be a traumatic event.

One sure fire way of securing at least a couple of spare minutes is the invention of the hall pass. That always works, well, almost always. One must determine from trial and error experience which teachers are big on passes and which prohibit them. In some classes, "no hall passes" is almost an unspoken law while in others it becomes available on a daily basis. Depending on the teacher again, and of course the circumstance, your free time is flexible.

If hall passes are no longer a challenge, many have turned to Mr. Dague with a "personal problem" which demands a pass to leave school premises (for two or more people naturally). What that problem actually is no one knows. It could a stomachache, headache, a need to relax — one in the same, right? How long one can continue having "personal problems" is the question. After one recovers from these problems, he seems to suffer from the "loss of memory" syndrome. Your life — giving medication, clothes for practice, vital term paper — all at home! Oh, and make sure to make the pass out for two people, because I didn't drive today. While these things are forgotten, in actuality it usually doesn't become a habit. And all this for the sake of relaxing.

After all "legal" measures are taken, the other side of the law is still open although not preferred. It is a serious risk, grounds for suspension, the ultimate risk — to skip school. Really it doesn't sound criminal, but is still remains an offense. If this step is taken, however, it is practically useless in itself. After leaving, the fear and anxiety of being caught far outmeasure the desire for relaxation. Anyway, leisure time shouldn't be that hard to find. If all else fails, simply put your head down, close your eyes and relax.

Bob Krejci takes a break at the convention. (A

"For leisure, M.A.S.H. is always a good relaxer! I also like to bike ride and I do a lot of wood working. Sometimes I'll disappear into the garage for an evening to poke around or organize."
Bob Krejci

"Although Robert and I are friends, we both agree that woman is man's best friend."
Steve Bock

Friends: Always There When You Need Them

If you learn anything throughout your high school experience, it's how to make friends. Classes and the social scene are the top spots for making new friends. Whether guys, girls or teachers, these people should be trusted which is the principal value and basis for friendship.

Usually when one sees a group of guys, it is expected that "the big game" is being discussed. Sometimes it is, but other times . . . A few guys confess that gossip exists on both sides and males thrive on companionship just as females do.

Steve Bock and Robert Way believe their friendship is the product of shared interests. Commercial Arts Class has inspired them to persue a related career and continue their friendship. J.V. Vithous, on the other hand, views male friendships as a brothership, especially with Bill Casey. Both agree close friendships are a vital part of high school and feel as close as real brothers. Most of their time spent together consists of repairing cars but more importantly, as all guys agree, preparing for the weekend.

Vithous and Bill Casey

"Trust." Tina Kafides sums up girls' feelings for their friends in one word. Friends are people who know and share their deepest darkest secrets. Girls agree that cliques are often breeding areas for gossip, but "a majority of the time, we talk about guys," Kristen Blair comments. On the phone, at lunch, in notes, men are a safe issue to discuss. However, the discussion of girls is not off limits and can often times get nasty, but it is all a part of their valued friendships.

Relationships which can sometimes be shaky are those between male and female. The degree of the relationship naturally determines the type. A girlfriend or boyfriend should also be a friend. John Easton claims his girlfriend, "brings out the animal in him" and at the same time, she is an understanding friend. Even though serious relationships may not always last, the friendships can continue. Chris Croucher praises guys who have girls as good friends. "They offer advice and a point of view I couldn't get from my male friends and I value that."

Teachers, as myth has it, are not always a student's enemy. In fact, the contrary is usually true. "Miss Pritchard is one of my favorite people in the school. She has helped me out many times with either a friendly word when I am feeling down or advice when I'm in trouble. I cannot describe a friendship like ours, but it is good to know that she is there when I need her," explains John Meier. Gretchen Fri feels these relationships enable "students to know where teachers are coming from." It is not totally impossible for a teacher to strive for a student friendship although some teachers aren't interested. Math teacher Mr. John Berger likes to think that his best student friends "are those who stay away." Friends are many different things to many different people. A ride home when you miss the bus, a confidant, a borrowed lunch; friends — always there when you need them.

"My best student friends are those who stay away."
Mr. Berger

Friendships can develop between people of different race, religion, creed, and ***height.*** John Meier and Miss Jeanne Pritchard always seem to get along peacefully. (E)

Friends often help each other. Said Tim Deeter of his friend Chris Davis (pictured left), "When I am in trouble, he gets me out of it. When people pick on me, he's there to help. And when something is wrong, I know I can talk to him and he will listen." (A)

Behind the scenes political deals could happen between real life political cronies Gary Hart and Ted Kennedy as they do for their representatives at the Mock Convention, Kristen Blair and Jacquie Navratil.

Clowning around at float, Christy Luneke and John Easton show that laughter is sometimes the best part of friendship. (A)

Friends Robert Way and Steve Bock share a Commercial Art Class together. Because of Medina's system of self-scheduling, many students are able to take classes with their friends.

Checking on a sick friend during the school day is a common practice. Senior Chris Croucher calls Katie Richardson at home to see if she will return to school the next day. (B)

Delegates Sound Off: 'Convention's A Bore'

While state chairmen polled and convention leaders gaveled, ordinary delegates on the floor of the Mock Convention had better things to do. They slept and talked. They flirted and sent notes between delegations. Confetti fights with an occasional wad of masking tape thrown in were common. In general the delegate's convention was completely different from the official version.

One major complaint about the convention seemed to be that it was boring. Fortunately, this didn't stop people from using their imaginations to liven things up. Dirty trickster Rick Ducar (inset) shows Hawaii chairman Colin Grimm, the *Playboy* magazine which caused an uproar in Jimmy Carter's (Eric Krepp) campaign. (A) In the Washington State delegation, chairman Ron Smudz organized the PLI (People's Liberation Infiltration) to shake up the convention and in Smudz's words to "let people have a little fun."

Besides fighting boredom, delegates had other problems as well. Junior Richie Bennington summarized some of them, "The speeches were too long and some of the state chairmen were unfair. The election of candidates became nothing but a popularity contest instead of an election based on the personalities of the real candidates. Also if they (the convention organizers) are going to involve the juniors, they should give them more to do."

Acting on the last complaint, a group of juniors ran Chris Flickinger as favorite son candidate Dick Celeste from Ohio. According to campaign organizer John Jeandrevin, the juniors were upset that no junior had been selected as one of the original eleven presidential candidates.

Said Jeandrevin, "We had his campaign going in less than 24 hours." Flickinger added, "I really didn't do that much. Maybe that's why we lost."

While the juniors were able to work within the system, it was harder for the average delegate to fight the power of the state chairmen. Many chairmen such as Rob Ebeling of Maryland admitted openly to manipulating vote counts. "I changed all my delegation's votes to what I wanted them to be regardless of what the others voted." he said.

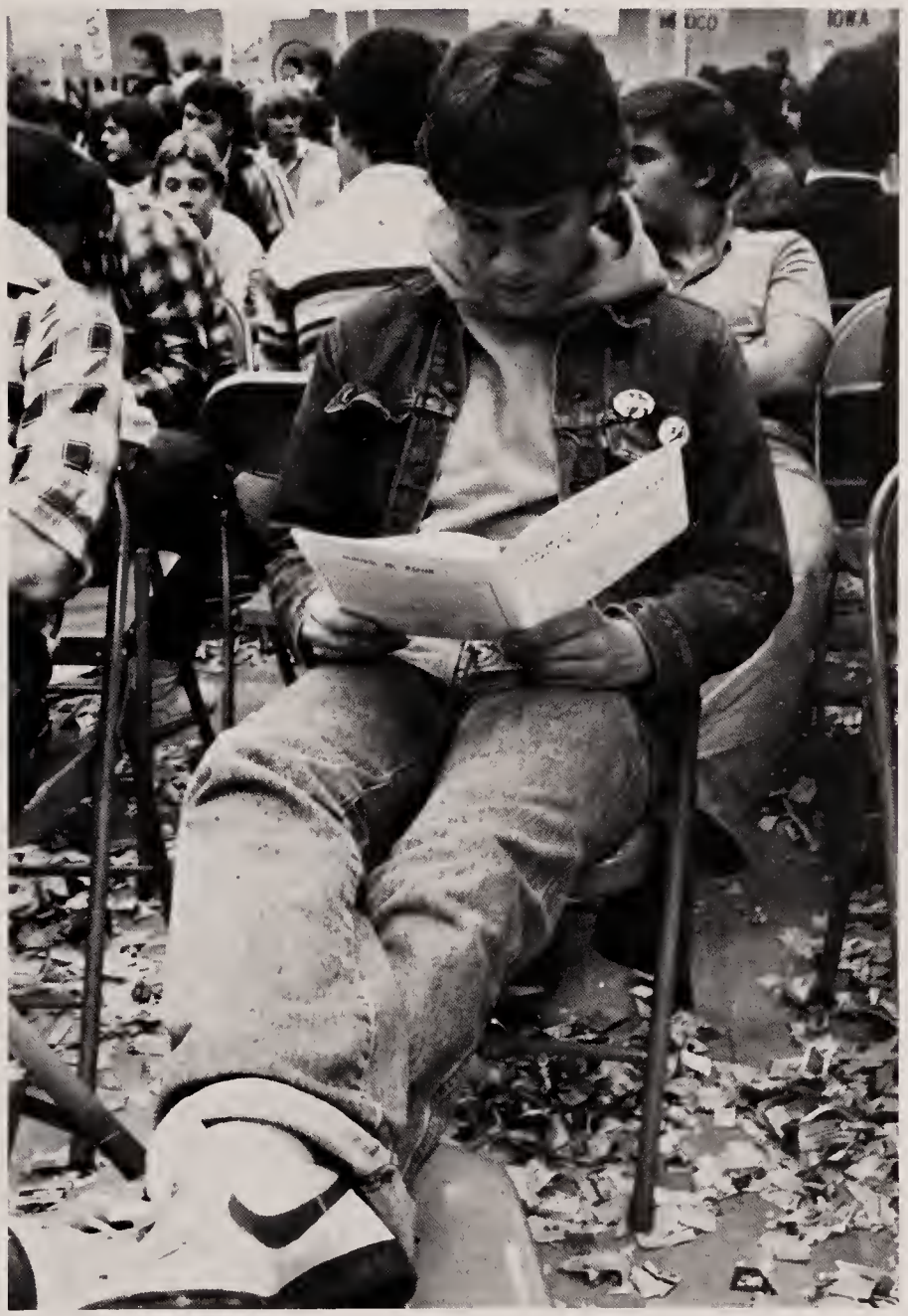
This attitude angered many people including senior Tina Olson who said, "I kept thinking, Boy, I wish I was a chairperson so I could blow some people out of the water."

Not everyone had complaints about the convention. Some people enjoyed it. Sergeant at arms Eugene Ware, who along with Jim Gaume, Rhonda Duke, and Georgia Cart, was responsible for keeping order at the convention said, "I enjoyed a sense of power." (Ware is pictured bottom right showing Mike Bogdan who's boss.) (I)

Hiding on the gym steps to escape the noise and interruptions of the convention, presidential nominee Jesse Jackson (Darryl Mason), works with his campaign manager, Miss Ocepek to polish his final speech to the convention. (A)

Syncronicity by The Police made the convention bearable for delegates Jim Cleary and Rob Conrad (center photo). Said Conrad, "There wasn't enough participation among the juniors and seniors. The whole convention seemed as though it was run by only a few people." (C)

Getting inside information on the PLI, Medinamite reporter Dawn Ellinwood talks with one of the organizers John Cassidy (bottom right.) (C) The ***Medinamite*** staff put together a special convention issue in just one day and distributed it on Wednesday morning. Senior Matt Berry (below) said, "I was bored so I bought a paper." (A)



"I kept thinking — Boy, I wish I was a chairperson so I could blow some people out of the water."

Tina Olson

Class Of Nineteen Eighty Four
The Agony And The Ecstasy

Everyone always said that high school would go so fast, but when you're freshmen that fact isn't all that reassuring. Here you are in a different school with kids three years older. You're frightened, unsure, and a little nervous. Everything is so different. The classes are longer, the bells don't sound like bells, and you don't have school if the air conditioner breaks. Somehow we made it through our freshman year, and it wasn't so bad after all.

While sophomore year began peacefully enough with our first introduction to self — scheduling, controversy soon erupted in October in the form of a boycott of the cafeteria which lasted for three days. The class of 1984 stayed around long enough to see the boycott bear results this year with the installation of a new food service.

As Juniors we had pretty much figured out how Medina High is, and ways around just about everything. Everyone told us that this would be the hardest year, and suddenly we realized that when someone said they got 60 points out of 200 in chemistry and were happy about it, they meant it.

Probably none of the four years can top the junior year for excitement. The ecstasy of winning the float competition became agony when rampaging seniors destroyed the junior float. When the act of violence meant no float competition this year, who could blame the seniors for being let down?

As low as they might have felt in the fall, it was time to be on top of the world as the boys' basketball team won game after game. What else could ever compare with the unparalleled thrill of traveling to Columbus to watch the championship team play in St. John's arena — not to mention getting a day off of school.

With the start of our senior year we began to get the feeling of being in control and having everyone look up to us, because we were seniors. You know, though, we are the smallest class in the school; in fact, we're the smallest (327) to come through Medina in ten years. It doesn't matter. One aspect of our senior year that was unique was the staging of the mock convention held only once every four years. As seniors, we were primarily in charge of putting on the convention.

We're finally seniors and that ***future*** we thought of as freshmen is ***now,*** and that's all that matters. You know, though, high school went so fast . . .

Cindy Diane Ambroziak

Harry Wayne Anthony Jr.

David James Bachtell

Robin Suzanne Beard

Matthew Louis Berry

Gregory Michael Beten

Tracy Louise Blankschaen

Cynthia Rene Blazer

Cynthia Ann Bluebaugh

Gregory Joseph Bowers

Nancy Kaye Bradley

Joseph Martin Brafchak

1984 Class Officers

Combining experience and dedication, the senior class officers led the class of 1984 through its final year with confidence and enthusiasm. Pictured left are president, Jim Shields; secretary, Mary Linda Cragar; treasurer, Mary Beth Daubner; and vice president, Jim Smolko.

John Patrick Bailey

Lori Ann Beal

Michael Raymond Biegel

Kristen Elizabeth Blair

Steve Patrick Bock

Patrick William Boehnen

Renee Leigh Brausch

Amy Cyr Breker

Paging through the junior section of the yearbook, looking for his picture, is Rob Ebeling. Rob is known for his fine racquetball playing and his infamous maroon "crashback" mustang.

The students pictured on pages 152 and 153 were chosen by their peers, advisers, and coaches as representing true school spirit and leadership. Their outstanding qualities have made them an example for all students to follow. ***Page 152 Row 1:*** Jennifer Chidsey (Homecoming Queen, Cross Country), Margaret Murphy (Tennis); Rob Conrad (Golf); ***Row 2:*** Colin Grimm (Baseball); Melissa Liu (Scholarship); Jackie Labbe (National Honor Society); John Bailey (Publications); Elizabeth Cypher (Cheerleaders); ***Row 3:*** Jim Shields (Class President); John Meier (Basketball); Rod Wingfield (Drama Club); Matt Eaken (Concert Choir); Laura Kessler (JVS); Kristi Weygandt (Basketball); Beth Klein (Gymnastics); Laura Swain (Volleyball). ***PAGE 153 Row 1:*** Mike Meadows (Football); Julie Kohanski (Beeliners); Karl Fennell (Soccer); ***Row 2:*** Chris Neise (Softball); P.J. King (Tennis); Pat Boehnen (Track); Christy Davis (Student Council); Tammy Nemetz (Track); Scott Reinhardt (Key Club); ***Row 3:*** Mike Chesney (Cross Country); Leigh-Ann Lethco (GLC); Kris Leister (Flagline); Mike Swingle (Wrestling). (Photo by Jeff Eble.)

In the News: The Middle East

In early January, 1984, presidential candidate, Jesse Jackson made a much publicized trip to Damascus, Syria. His mission was to free Lt. Robert Goodman, a captured Navy aviator. On January 3, 1984, Goodman was released and returned to the United States.

The international event which affected me the most was Jesse Jackson going over and freeing that American pilot who was shot down.

Andrew W. Perrea

Adrian Alberto Brizuela

Christopher Wayne Brown

Joseph Franklin Brown

Daniel Thomas Chase

David Lee Chase

Michael Neil Chesney

Junior Mark Hubbard and senior Lee Edwards use their muscle power to finish a project for industrial arts. ***Amy Livingston*** and Lynette Holt share a smile and a laugh to ease the tensions of a long day at school. (A)

Kathy Darlene Colson

Robert Allen Conrad

John Kenning Cook Jr.

John Fredrick Crooks

Mary Jude Crooks

Christopher Russell Croucher

In the News: The Cold War

On September 1, 1983 a South Korean commercial airliner en route from New York to Seoul was shot down after flying over strategically sensitive Soviet Territory. It was brought down by a heat-seeking missile launched by a Soviet jet fighter. All 240 passengers aboard and 29 crew members were killed.

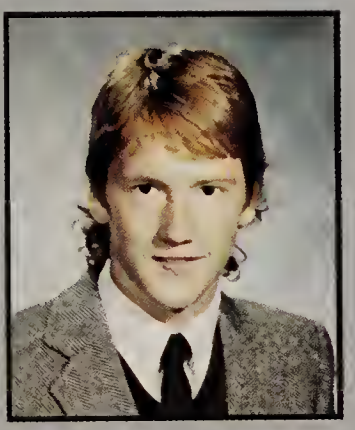
The shooting down of the Korean Jetliner affected me the most. It proves just how callous the communists can be. It also makes the liberals take another look at the Soviets.

Howard Aldrich

Willis Danny Browning

Denise Rene Calendine

Deniece Ann Case



John McDermott Cassidy

Beth Ann Chaney

Jennifer Lynn Chidsey

James Brian Cleary

Carolyn Jean Cody

Sheryl Marie Collins

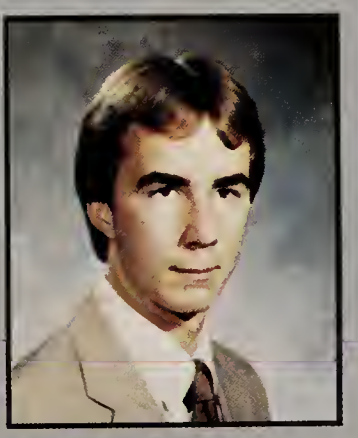
David Joseph Colonna

Roger Alan Corey

Jennifer Ann Cox

Jennifer Ann Coyle

Mary Linda Cragar



William Bryan Crocker

Sue Ann Cunningham

Frank Lewis Cureton

Elizabeth Susan Cypher

Carol Jean Czajka

Gary Michael Dague

January Brings Freedom For Eight Early Graduates

After final exams in January, there are always a handful of students who graduate early for various reasons. Some stay in Medina while others move on. Most get a job and some plan upon entering college early. For whatever the reason, early graduation is becoming fairly common.

In order to graduate early, one must obtain all needed credits (17), and have taken all the required courses. The school administrators, however, advise against early graduation in most cases. "It is good in certain instances, but I believe most students benefit both academically and socially by attending school for four years." commented Principal Augie Rios.

Assistant Principal Robert Dague agreed by adding, "It is definitely advantageous to complete four years."

Cindy Ambroziak, Mary Jude Crooks, Jacquie Navratil, Tammy Nemetz-Troup, Shawna Norris, Chris Rolling, Todd Sigler, and Laura Sviatko all decided to leave school early this year. They agreed that they are glad that they were given the chance to graduate early. Now they can begin their plans for the future that much sooner.

Jacquie Navratil had some advice for anyone planning January graduation, "Get your credits early, but give it some serious thought. It isn't something to jump into, but if it is for you, go for it.

Mike Hosey explains his position to state chairperson, Margaret Murphy, while Dan Kocik listens to the discussion. (B)

James A. Daso

Mary Elizabeth Daubner

Amy Christine Davis

Laurie Anne DeLuca

Caroline Tealie DeWalt

Tor Finn Dietrichs

Timothy William Doyle

Thomas Alan Dryer

Richard Michael Ducar

Cheryl Ann DuRocher

Matthew Kevin Eaken

Robert Allen Ebeling

Favorites

Seniors voted the following as their favorite albums: Thriller, Synchronicity, Pyromania, and 1984. Favorite groups included Def Leppard, Van Halen, Police, Quiet Riot, and Journey.

Sheila Lynn Davis

Debra Sue Delaney

Gregory Allen Dodig

Steven Ralph Dotson

Rhonda Renee Duke

Deborah Marie Dunn

Jon David Edinger

Lee Carson Edwards

Seniors Mike Swingle, Scott Roper, Mike Meadows, and Tom Judson enjoy making perverted remarks during a school assembly. The boys, also known as the "Fabulous Four," participate in sports throughout the year and believe that "education is a serious business." (A)

Jacquie Navratil watches over Valerie Phillips as she opens her locker to look for a book. (A)

Fads:

Flashdance, punk, cabbage patch kids, striped jeans, Sony Walkman, mini skirts, Boy George, leather jackets, duck shoes, destroying the world, graduating, colored panty hose, Michael Jackson's dancing, Vans, ankle boots, Nate Krans' haircut, flannel shirts, MTV, short hair for girls, earrings for boys, bandanas, break dancing, Garfield, dip, contradiction in terms, slam dancing, ***The Duke Look,*** army clothes, Heavy Metal, Valley Girl talk, weird hair colors, scarves, sleeveless shirts, painter's hats, ***Zan Dudick***

Varsity football manager Nancy Smith watches the game with concentration hoping for a victory. ***Drama Club member*** Rod Wingfield, plagued with senioritis, pauses from studying in the commons. (C)

Peter Daniel Effinger

Tracey Elizabeth Egan

Michael Patrick Elder

Stephanie Therese Fish

Lisa Ann Fisher

Brent David Flickinger

Donna Marie Galish

Amanda Marie Garrett

Andrea Jayne Gasser

Cheryl Ann Graham

William Ray Graham

Matthew Curtis Griffor

Dennis Kunkel, Cindi Joo

Denise Yarman

Donna Galish

William Scott Elligott

Daniel Richard Fanelli

Kristen Mary Fedro

Karl Edward Fennell

Samuel Scott Filler

Dare Flickinger

Joel David Foose

Susan Kay Frantz

Gretchen Elaine Fri

Edeliro Ignacio Gaete

James Joseph Gaume

Brenda Mae Gerencher

Amy Elizabeth Giovinazzo

Karen Louise Goodwin

Christopher James Gore

Colin Christopher Grimm

Cynthia Marie Grumbling

Cynthiea Marie Gum

Michele Marie Harper

Kendra Louise Harrell

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Memories

Marching Band, good times with friends, sports, senior year, getting out, summer vacation, dances, basketball team in Columbus, biology with McQuown, cheap lunches, prom, musical and play productions, A.P. History, Senior Commons, trip to New York, freshman orientation, sophomore year, getting drunk on weekends, football, ski trips, 1981-82 girls' basketball team, Sue Frantz, wrestling, Beeliners

Tennis player Merritt Jones thinks about everything she has to finish before the day is out. ***Brenda Gerencher*** and Scott McGurk snuggle up close to try and keep warm on the cold days that made December and January two of the coldest months on record. (A)

Samantha Lee Harris

Ann Marie Haumesser

Cynthia Lee Hawkins

Diane Amy Hill

Joanne Lee Hoar

Danna Kay Hogan

Michael Dean Hough

Timothy Andrew Hulvey

Michele Ranay Hunt

Joanne Louise Jeffries

Dorothy Amy Johnston

Stacy Rene Johnson

It Was The Best Of Times

Toilet papering the school with Coyle, Cox, Trish, Mary Linda, Liz, Jacquie and Kristen and getting busted by the cops is my best memory of high school.

Gretchen Fri

Kristin Lee Hazelwood

Cheryl Theresa Heinly

Eric Paul Herman

James Andrew Hewitt

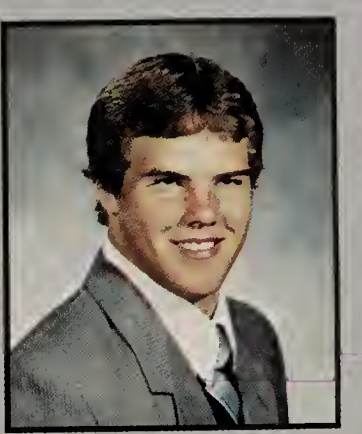
Drew Edward Hibinger

Laura Ann Holbert

Hillevi Adele Holm

Lynette Rhea Holt

Marlene Debra Hopkins



Michael Anthony Hosey

Renee Lyn Hutchins

Gregory Scott Hyde

Wendy Lou Imig

Mark Daniel Jablonowski

James Edward Janik

William Scott Johnson

Merritt MacKenzie Jones

Cindi Marie Joo

Zivana M. Jovanovic

Thomas James Judson

Senioritis Strikes

It's a condition that takes 12 years to develop. As far as we know, it has never been fatal except to those already in "failing" health. It usually strikes seniors in their last semester before graduation as the promise of adult freedom seems almost within reach.

Suddenly the drive to do homework and the discipline needed to pay attention in class both disappear. With college applications and grade transcripts already mailed, the most common ailment of the senior year strikes — senioritis.

There are no more exams to take and, for some seniors, even if they failed every subject, they would still have enough credits and requirements to graduate. So as spring approaches, and the temperatures rise, the desire to take a day off of school becomes irresistible.

Suddenly a day of fresh air and sunshine at Hinckley Metro Park or Cedar Point becomes more appealing than a stuffy classroom with few or no windows and the constant drone of a monotonous teacher talking about a boring subject.

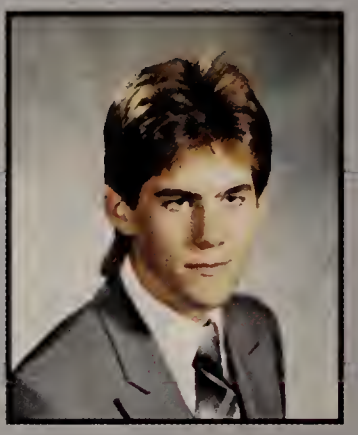
Even the ten day limit on the number of absences a student may have is a rule that can be bent even if it can't be broken. Since many seniors are eighteen, they are old enough to write their own excuses from school. So first period can be missed by oversleeping. Fifth can be skipped by sneaking out to lunch. Seventh is often a good time to leave early for work.

Senior Gail Riddleburgh explains senioritis. "It's a chronic disease that no matter what you do, you can't get rid of." One thing's for sure — the only known cure for senioritis is graduation day.

Below — One way to ease the pain of senioritis is to pick on a freshman. Karl Norton and Eric Whitnable make a pie sandwich out of Doug McMarlin's face. (A)

Gary Robert Kahl

Jerome Neal Kaufman



Corey Earl Keehn

Laura Ann Kessler

Geoffrey Scott King

Peter Rust King Jr.

Margaret Ann Kisilewicz

Elizabeth Ann Klein

Pamela Ann Knaflich

Julie Lynn Kohanski

Grace Kelly Kopfstein

Kenneth Lee Koppes

Spice Sparkles

With the comic help of emcees Eric Whitnable, Karl Norton, and Doug McMarlin, Spice showed off the talents of seniors, faculty, and underclassmen. Acts varied from serious singing like solos by Wendy Imig ("First Love") and Barbi Davis ("That's the Day") to a Chinese Folk Dance by Melissa Liu. Controversy erupted after the show was over when some audience member complained about a non-alcholic grape juice toast, an actual copy of Playboy and pig noises over the P.A. system.

At left — Top Hat Entertainment Company wowed the crowd with their 50's rendition of "Come Go With Me." (C)

John Patrick Kelly

Steven Matthew Kenski

Matthew Eric Kinnard

Carol Ann Kirschling

Marguerite Chastity Kobak

Daniel Anthony Kocik

Leslie Ann Kramer

Eric Lloyd Krepp

Top — Dan Lather and Jane Paulsey (alias John Bailey and Donna Payne) give the S.P.I.C.E. Center One News. Later in the show, they appeared as Father Guido Sarduchi and Rosanne Rosanna Danna in "Confessions With The Father." (A)

"Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" came to life with the help of seniors Leigh-Ann Lethco, Jackie Labbe, and Caroline DeWalt. For Leigh-Ann and Jackie, it was their 4th Spice appearance. (A)

Eric Whitnable, star of the Medina ballet as well as an emcee for Spice, pauses on stage to let the audience admire his nice legs. (C)

Seniors Name Favorite Twenty Teachers

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Cheuvront, Mr. Chesney, Mr. Cooksey, Mr. Davanzo, Mrs. Elrick, Mr. Halcik, Mr. Interliggi, Mrs. Lenk, Mr. Dave Kelley, Mr. John Kelly, Mr. McQuown, Miss Ocepek, Mr. Osterland, Mr. Pallini, Mrs. Savick, Mr. Semenik, Mr. Swinglish, Mr. Tisher, Mr. Walker.

Preparing for the mock convention took up time for many seniors. Here Jeff Sublett stuffs balloons into bags in preparation for a nominating speech. ***Another time consuming*** activity was the building of float. In Commons, many seniors helped to make flowers. Deniece Case is shown here fluffing a flower to help in the effort.

Scott Allen Krutsch

Dennis Vern Kunkel

Jacqueline Marie Labbe

Kimberly Jane Leckie

Kathleen Marie Leicher

Kristina Ann Leister

Luan Lee Lind

Melissa Yu-Ming Liu

Amy Beth Livingston

Shawn Marie Mann

David Peter Mardavich

Darryl O'Neil Mason

My Favorite teachers were the ones who missed a lot of school.

Anonymous

Mrs. Elrick was my favorite teacher. She really knows what she's talking about and we can tell!

Jackie Labbe

Clarissa Lynn Lane

Leah Anne Langan

Barbara Jean Laskey

Ronald Alan LaSocha

Kelly Ann Lavan

Dawne Lauraine Lenz

Jeanine Terese Lesak

Leigh-Ann Marie Lethco

Laura Lynn Lewarchick

Timothy Wayne Liezert

Lisa Ann Longacre

Lisa Diane Loudermilk

Necia Maria Lungaro

Ellen Ruth LuQuire

Linda Elizabeth Macun

Michael David Mason

Thomas Robert Maupin Jr.

Amy Jo McGinnis

Scott David McGurk

Mary Ellen McNeill

Lack of Funds Threaten Senior Bankruptcy

Do you often find yourself in debt? This year, isn't your allowance or paycheck enough to get you by? Have your parents mortgaged the house and sold the cat to pay for your last year of high school? Don't despair because keeping up with Senior year costs is a problem for many.

Each year students expect costs for books and lab fees but, in addition, Seniors must pay for cap and gown (8.50), namecards (6.00), graduation announcements (35¢ each), and senior pictures which will at least require an $8.50 sitting fee and could climb over $100. Although cap and gown is the only required expense, few Seniors forego these traditional Senior items to save a few dollars.

In order to leave high school with pleasurable memories the Senior may also want to purchase a yearbook (25.00), attend prom and banquet, or buy other Senior memorabilia like the large group picture. And don't forget the graduation parties. On top of this, if the senior plans to attend college, the expense of college board tests, application fees, and transcripts can also be figured into the sum.

It will require at least $8.50 to graduate but if you plan to go out in style — you could spend well over $200. Do you fear you won't survive the financial implications of your senior year? Well, most seniors do. There are few options open after mom and dad have made the final trip to the pawn shop, but you can always take a second job after school or stop eating — anything to graduate.

Danna Hogan manages to find a secluded place to study during the often rowdy and crowded 7th period commons. (B)

Michael Kevin Meadows

John Fredrick Meier

Deborah Lynn Miller

Lawrence Andrew Mino

Rebecca Suzanne Morell

Lisa Marie Moucha

Beth Anne Myers

Sonia Marie Nalepa

Jacquie Kay Navratil

Christine Anne Niese

Dawn Marie Norris

Shawna Lee Norris

Secrets

The best kept secret of the 1983-84 year was the success of the girls' tennis team.

Margaret Murphy and Chris Neise

Kissing in the photography room is my best memory.

Scott Rager

Monica Miller

Tracy Marie Miller

Kevin Parrick Murphy

Margaret Mary Murphy

Tammy Kathleen Nemetz-Troup

Paul David Nicholson

Karl Robert Fredrick Norton

John Anthony Notarianni

Ordering graduation announcements was a January activity. Here Sonia Nalepa and Kim Leckie begin the task during their business machines class. (A)

Betsy Selmants and Sue Paxson brave the cold temperatures to cheer on the Bees at a football game. (E)

Best/Worst?

T.V. Shows

For 1983-84

Automan, A-Team, Mr. Smith, AfterMash, SCTV, Different Strokes, The Day After, Barney Miller, Cheers, Mamms's Family, That's Incredible, Merv Griffin, General Hospital, Thicke of the Night, Domestic Life, Three's Company, Dukes of Hazzard, Gimme a Break, Happy Days, Joanie Loves Chachi, Alice, 60 Minutes, Dallas, Soaps, Webster, Buffalo Bill, Manimal, Love Boat, Fantasy Island, Family Ties, Live on 5, Combat, Smurfs, Jefferson's, We Got It Made, Facts of Life, Riptide, Mr. Ed, Empire, Madeline, Phil Donahue, People's Court, Meet The Press, Blue Thunder

Charles Michael Novicky

Joseph Raymond Obermeier

Christina Louise Olson

Milagro Esperanza Petty

Alan Wayne Phillips

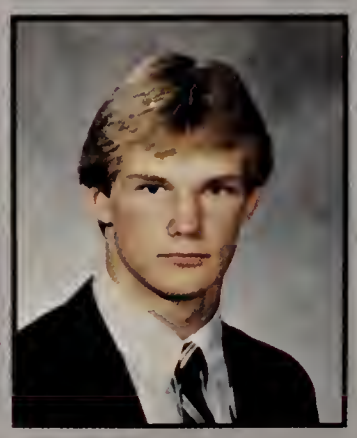
Valerie Sue Phillips

Apparently senioritis hasn't affected Greg Beten yet. New to Medina this year from New York, Greg finishes a homework assignment in commons. ***Enjoying a relaxing break*** from class, Lisa Schrier uses her commons period advantageously — to sit and do nothing. (A)

Julie Ann Rataczak

Brian Thomas Rebescher

Robert Gerold Reich



Richard Scott Roper

Dina Marie Rutti

Shelly Marie Sabo

No More Rise and Smurfshine

The national or international event that affected me the most was when they took the Smurfs off Saturday TV at 8 a.m.

Rob Law

Kurt Ernest Otterbacher

Jeane Christine Panik

Susan Mary Paxson

Brent Allen Pemberton

Andrew William Perrea

Lynn Marie Piskach

Tina Lynn Polakowski

Tammara Sue Prater

Rochelle Rene Pull

Scott Russell Rager

Scott Allen Reinhardt

Kathryn Ann Richardson

Cheryl Ann Richmond

Gail Annette Riddleburgh

Christopher Mark Rolling

Scott William Sanford

Michael James Saunders

Michael Reed Scheck

David Allen Scheiman

Richard Rocco Schrippa Jr.

Making Memories Last
A Trivia Quiz For 2004

It's the day before your 20th class reunion, August 14, 2004. You still have 35 pounds to lose and your mail order toupee hasn't arrived yet. Your dentures have blueberry stains and you are on the verge of a mid-life crisis.

In spite of your problems you still want to make an impression on your former classmates. To prove to yourself that your memory is still good, take the following refresher course in the trivia of the class of 1984. Answers will appear in the index.

1. Who was class valedictorian?
2. Who were the co-captains of the soccer team?
3. Who was Student Council vice president?
4. Who were named King and Queen of the prom?
5. On what date were graduation ceremonies held? What did you wear under your gown on graduation day?
6. How many were there in your graduating class?
7. Who held the lead role in the spring musical Cinderella?
8. What was the name of your guidance counselor?
9. Who was Homecoming Queen?
10. Who was noTORious for falling asleep in every class and still getting good grades?

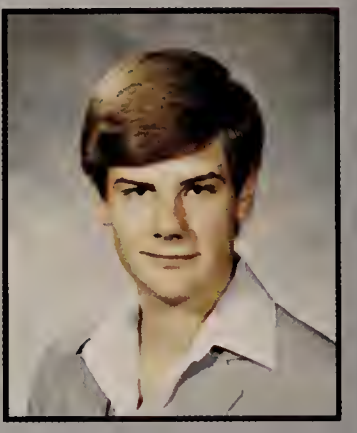
Peter Schjott

Lisa Renee Schrier

Brian Alan Scott

Marianne Semivan

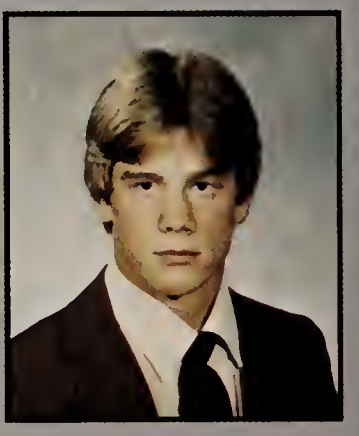
James Allen Shields



Todd Michael Sigler

Nancy Louise Smith

James William Smolko



Walter Gordon Snook

Joseph Stephen Stoll

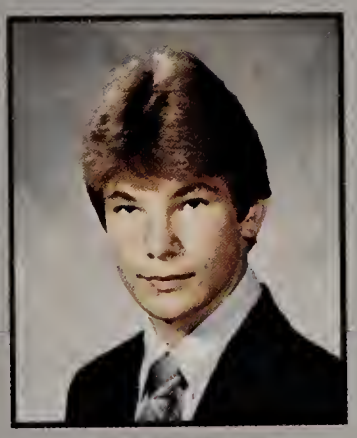
Clement Casper Stratman

Clay Timothy Sublett

Out Standing In Their Field

Barbara Danelle Seiple

Elizabeth Ann Selmants



Brian Carl Singer

Dana Anne Smith

Kathryn Elaine Snyder

Kelly Ann Stapleton

Jeffrey John Sublett

Laura Ann Sviatko

By the expression on his face, John Kelly seems to know the answer to a question on the make-up test he is taking. (A)

At the mock convention, delegate chairpersons held active jobs. Here Leslie Kramer reads her delegation's votes. (A)

Requested stories we never had time to do

The yearbook should have done a special story on how to get a pencil stuck in the ceiling of the main concourse.
John Crooks

I would have liked to see Rick Ducar in a cover story.
Rick Ducar

Seniors
Not pictured

Howard Wendal Aldrich
James Joseph Bilski
Maryanna Black
Rick Lyn Black
Donald Harry Bower
Lloyd Dennis Caldwell
Debra Ann Capiot
Georgia Dean Cart
Candice Ann Dull
Mary Elizabeth Garrison
Karen Marie Gillum
Jack Hawk
Celeste Hiel
Mary Carol Himmelhaver
Thomas Steven Hovorka
Thomas Francis Huth
William Ben Iacano
Maurice Anthony Keith
Dale Christian Kemp
Shawn Anthony Kowal
Robert James Law
Barrien Keith Massey
Patricia Ann McLaughlin
Dale Eugene McPherson
Liana Lee Power
David Roger Plute
Elizabeth Ann Reese
Tracey Louise Robinson
Raymond Scott Sammartano
Carol Arlene Sarver
Krista Suzanne Sautter
Dale Dwight Savage
Jonathan Michael Smerick
Robert Allan Snyder
Earl MacDonald Steidl
Stuart Pierce Survance
James Seth Thompson
Kathern Gail Tipton
Bradley Allyn Turk
Matthew Douglas Walton
Timothy John Warner
Donna Marie Whiteman
Sharon Lynn Wyant
Scott Lewis Zimmerman

Laura Louise Swain

Michael Robert Swingle

Michelle Marie Templin

Angela Marie Vanuch

Scott Lawrence Vidika

David Christopher Villoni

Anthony Bonton Wells

Donna Marie Werner

Kevin Scott West

Rodney Dale Wingfield

Kenneth James Wisniewski

Harry Henry Wojciechowski

Bet you never expected to see this

Why do Medinamite or yearbook staff people only do stories and take pictures of only the popular people? Hell, when I look at my yearbook 10-15 years from now I want to remember a lot of people not just the popular (obscenity deleted) kids.
Mr. Very Upset with the Way People Classify Others

Debra Deloris Thornton

Caroline Rose Towner

Beth Unland

Trisha Valentine

James Harris Van Rossem

James Alan Vithous

Jeffrey Scott Wardell

Carl Eugene Ware

Edward Louis Wargo

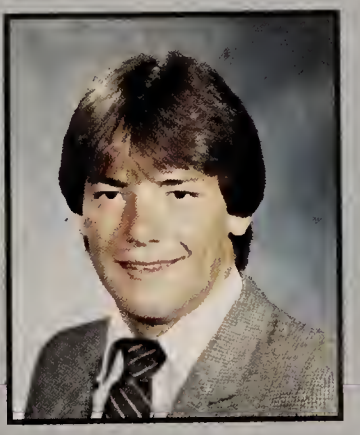
Robert Cordell Way

Kristen Hope Weygandt

Laura Beth Whitaker

Bruce Andrew Whitmarsh

Eric William Whitnable


Mark Duane Wilson

Ronald Gene Woodrum

Denise Kay Yarman

Daniel Franklin Zuk

Just One More Chance: Given The Opportunity, What Would You Do Differently?

The saying goes that you should learn from the mistakes of others, but the following are not actually mistakes, rather regrets. Perhaps underclassmen will do these things that seniors wish they had done during their four years of high school, but could not because of one reason or another. Maybe future seniors will learn from these and won't have to say they wished they had done things differently.

"I wish I wouldn't have ever worried about how many friends I had, but how good my friends were."

Neica Lungaro

Mike Swingle wished he had stayed home from football practice on August 17, because then he would not have injured his knee and he could have played football his senior year. Rick Ducar wished he had played football and basketball instead of just concentrating so much on baseball.

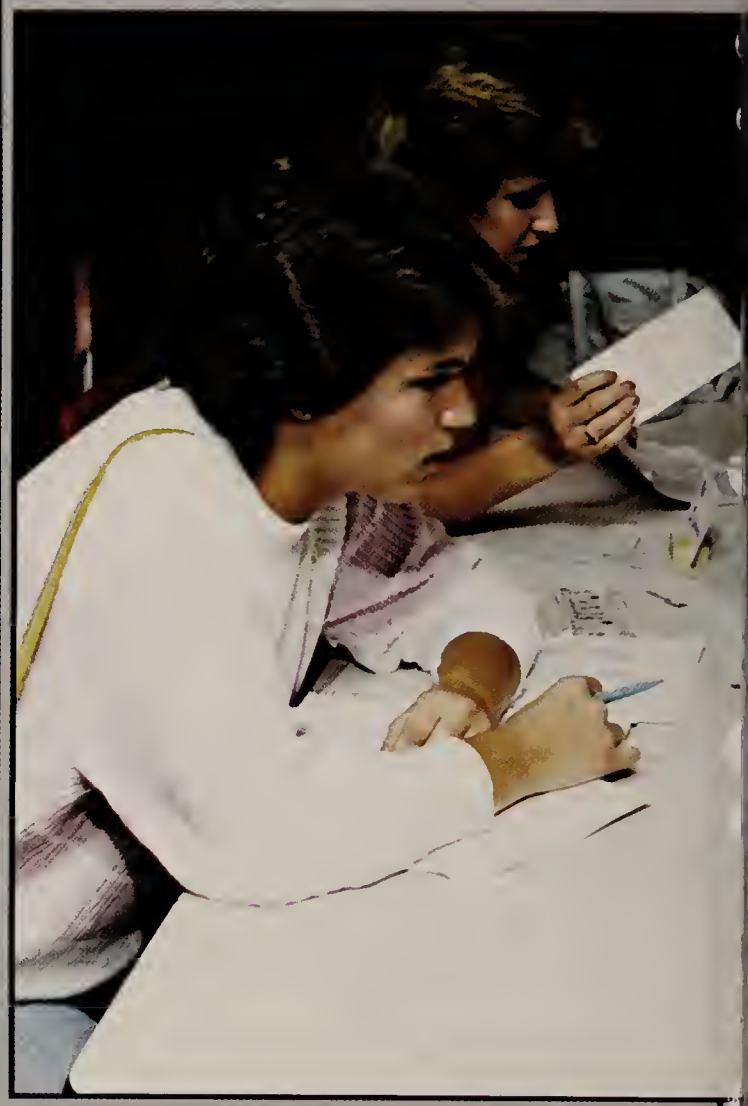
"I wish I would have missed football practice August 17; then I would have been able to play football my senior year."

Mike Swingle

Kristi Weygandt wished she could have had just one more season of volleyball while Beth Meyers just would have like to have had the chance to play powder puff football.

Some seniors felt they waited too long to do things like Lynette Holt who, if she had her four years of high school to do over, said she would have tried out for Beeliners earlier. Tom Judson wished he would have graduated in January and joined the army sooner. Some seniors, however, waited too long such as Beth Chaney who said she should have joined some sport such as basketball, but never got around to it.

Worrying was something many seniors spent a lot of time doing and Neica Lungaro looks back and wishes she had never worried about how many friends she had, but how good her

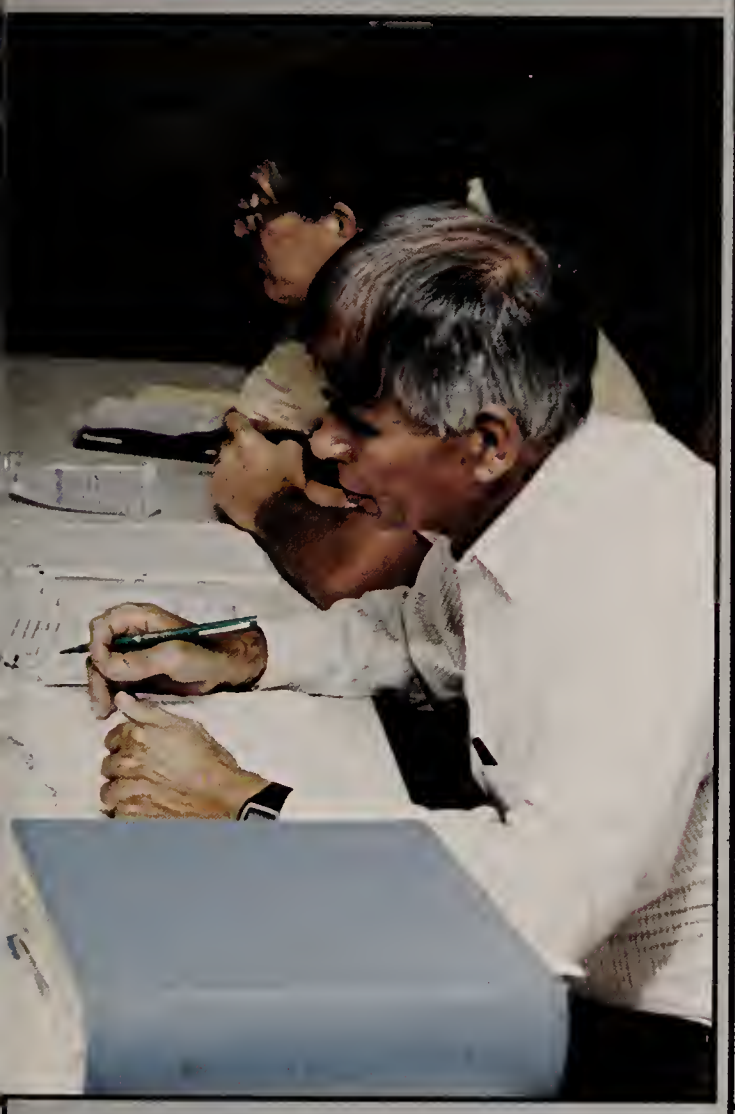


"Returning alumni often say that they wish they had studied harder and paid more attention to their teachers. When they get to college, they suddenly realize that college is not a piece of cake, and that high school was acutally much easier."

Mr. Stan O'Connor

"MOYER"

Perhaps Jim Shields and Colin Grimm regret giving John Meier a hard time about things, but when they thought about it, it was fun so they don't regret that. Jim didn't regret anything and said, "If I had my four years of high school to do over, I would do everything the same. Whatever I've done, good or bad, it was what I thought was best at the time."



friends were. Elizabeth Cypher said she worried about all kinds of little things and now wishes she had not wasted so much time worrying.

Kris Fedro worried about being at a new school, but said Mr. O'Connor helped her to decide what classes she needed. According to Mr. O'Connor, senior guidance counselor, returning alumni often express a number of regrets about their high school years.

"Most of them wish they had studied harder and paid more attention to their teachers. When they get to college, they suddenly realize that college is not a piece of cake, and that high school was actually much easier. When they are still in high school, they often see their friends having a good time, and then sacrifice harder classes for a little fun," said Mr. O'Connor.

"It's not what I have done that I would change. It's the things I haven't had time to do or wasn't interested in at certain times that I wish were different."

Jennifer Chidsey

"I wish I would have gotten more involved in activities, and studied more for my tests."

Betsy Selmants

Senior Betsy Selmants admitted she didn't worry enough about school and wished she had become more involved in activities, and studied more for her tests.

Darryl Mason, when asked what he regretted most couldn't think of anything, but some seniors knew they didn't regret anything. Jennifer Chidsey said, "It's not what I've done that I would change. It's the things I haven't had time to do or wasn't interested in at certain times that I wish were different." Corey Keehn summed things up by saying he didn't know what he'd change because he felt he was pretty perfect. He added that he looks forward to the future and doesn't worry about the past. He defends this by saying it is his existentialistic perspective on life.

Regrets or no regrets, for seniors, what's done is done.

Assorted Senior Wisdom

Just being a senior was the best part of school.

Tracey Miller

The invasion of Grenada affected me the most. I love a violent expulsion of Anti-American factions.

Bruce Whitmarsh

The best fad of 1983-84 was sizing sweaters at Washington Court while wearing a fish net t-shirt.

Bill Crocker

The best fad of the year was being a real big stud like everybody else thinks they are.

Anonymous

Complete with umbrella and raincoat, Elizabeth Cypher captivates the audience during Spice with her singing and tap dance routine to "Singing in the Rain." (top left) (A) ***Matt Kinnard, who was responsible*** for making the stage signs for the mock convention, adds another sign to his canal zone delegation. It was ruled that the Canal Zone should not be allowed to vote during the convention and so Matt and his fellow delegate John Bailey spent the convention watching rather than participating (above). ***Kris Hazelwood, along with Rick Ducar*** (seen with his famous letterman's jacket), wait to attend the first session of a journalism workshop held at Bowling Green University. (C)

Denise Yarman concentrates on a wrestling match in which she is keeping time. Denise spends her spare time being a statistician for the varsity wrestling team (above left). (C)

Karl Norton, who ran cross country and was the MC for Spice, relaxes against his locker after school. (Above Center) (A)

Varsity cheerleader and Homecoming court candidate Tracey Robinson relaxes during 6th period commons Friday afternoon before Medina's first football game of the season (above right).

After finishing self-scheduling senior Mary McNeill waits in commons as her friends go through scheduling. Mary flips through the pages of the 1983 yearbook which arrived during scheduling(far left). (A)

Shawna Norris and Lynn Piskach aren't trying to determine who is taller, but rather are relaxing during a break in mock convention action. Breaks were needed as delegates became bored and restless (left).

Even though Zivana Jovanovic, who portrayed George McGovern, didn't receive the nomination for president at the mock convention, she did enjoy herself (bottom left).

Steve Kenski and Joe Brafchak try to study in commons while Chuck Novicky sits and relaxes instead (bottom right). (B)

Dedicated Faculty Make Medina An Ideal Place To Go To School

Serious students, a supportive administration, good programs, and a cooperative community make Medina an ideal place to teach. The faculty, which consists of three administrators, five counselors, and ninety teachers, reflect a wide cross section of interests and skills. They devote their combined talents to create outstanding programs in both extracurricular and academic areas. A positive attitude and a willingness to help the individual are two traits which characterize the Medina staff.

Principal Augie Rios praised the faculty for their dedication. "They spend many hours in and out of the classroom helping their students," he said.

Many teachers expressed their appreciation of the positive teaching atmosphere which exists here. "Students respect each other. They all take pride in whatever they do. People here take their education very seriously," said Mr. John Carrick, Special Education teacher and football coach. English teacher and National Honor Society adviser Mrs. Eleanor McCandless agreed. "The students are easy to deal with, the faculty is nice and the administration is supportive."

Others indicated that a cooperative community in an ideal location makes Medina a nice place to work. For Civics teacher Mr. Jim Valentine, Medina is nice because "it is the county seat. This makes it good for teaching government." Mr. Mike Davanzo, Latin teacher and soccer coach summed up a general feeling among teachers. "This community is supportive. Overall it has made us one of the best schools in the area."

Top middle: Recording the mock convention for posterity, Mr. John Semenik brought his own equipment to school to tape important events. This record will be used in four years to train the delegates for the convention of 1988. (B)

Everyone on the faculty contributed to give Mr. Doug Waler a 40th birthday he would never forget. At the in-school performance of Spice on January 20, Mr. Mark Osterland stopped the show to have everyone sing happy birthday. Mr. Walker received a T-shirt and was featured in an ad in the Gazette and in a sign in front of the school. (B)

After 24 hours of continuous drama, the only one still standing was Drama adviser Mr. Carl Skorepa who was there for the full 24 hours. He helped students organize readings, songs, skits, and other acts which were performed for the general public in the gazebo. The money they raised from contributions would go to the drama program. (A)

The Stars of the Show: Every year four men shed their dignity and defy the laws of gravity to provide entertainment for Spice audiences. Above — Mr. Mark Osterland, Mr. Denni Interliggi, and Mr. John Berger, Mr. Carl Skorepa.

Self-scheduling sometimes becomes the arena for serious discussions about student schedules and class prerequisites. Guidance counselor Mrs. Laura Strle consults with math teacher Mr. Mark Loomis while French teacher Miss Jane Watt looks on. (A)

Sophomore Janiene Tischke and Mr. Jim Wienczkowski are just a few of the people who are involved behind the scenes at a varsity football game. Mr. W., a junior high math teacher, is the team's trainer while Janiene worked as a manager. (E)

Everyone worked together to pass the levy in November. Computer teacher Mr. Kevin Zumkehr contributes money for a student sponsored "vote for the levy" ad in the ***Gazette.*** Daneen Krajewski collected money from students and staff. (C)

Medina Loves Its Kids

Encouraging Election Results Bode Well For District

Dale Chase

With the defeat of State Issues 2 and 3 and the passage of our local levy in the November election, Medina City Schools embarked on an era of financial stability in 1984. Sufficient funds mean that Medina can develop a three year plan which will carry through into 1986. According to Superintendent Dr. Robert Fenn, "It's encouraging to start out 1984 that way."

The elections also brought changes to the Board of Education. Robert Croucher was elected to the seat left open by retiring Board memeber Marilyn Clark while Virginia Jeandrevin was reelected to a second term. In January Edward Kemp (Pictured at right presiding over his first meeting) became president of the Board and Pam Miller, vice president.

This year the Board began giving awards of achievement to student and faculty for their good work whether for sports, community, or academics. Said Dr. Fenn of our school and students, "I think we're tops."

Above: Treasurer Louis Vetter consults with Assistant Superintendent Charles Irish as they review district finances. (C)

Right: Beginning his duties as a board member, newly elected member Robert Croucher attends the January organizational meeting of the board. His goal for the next four years is "to continue the high quality of education at Medina." At his right, Virginia Jeandrevin, who was reelected to her second term gave her reasons for seeking another four years. "I enjoy serving the community. I have always loved education and schools."

Marilyn Clark

Robert Croucher

Virginia Jeandrevin

Edward Kemp

Pamela Miller

As part of the Board of Education's student recognition program, soccer stand out Jon Edinger accepts an award at the December meeting from officials from WDBN and Shopper's Choice who sponsored awards for outstanding individuals. Announcing the awards is Information Coordinator Sandee LeMasters. Distributing the awards are Laraine Guiley, account executive with WDBN and Joe Vigliotti and Bob Forrester, co-owners of Shopper's Choice. (B)

Retirement after eight years on the board meant a number of awards for Mrs. Marilyn Clark. Below she accepts a plaque recognizing her for her outstanding service to "the children and community" of Medina. Giving the award is the president of the Medina City Teachers Association, Mike Knopick, an Ella Canavan teacher. (B)

Dr. Robert D. Fenn
Superintendent

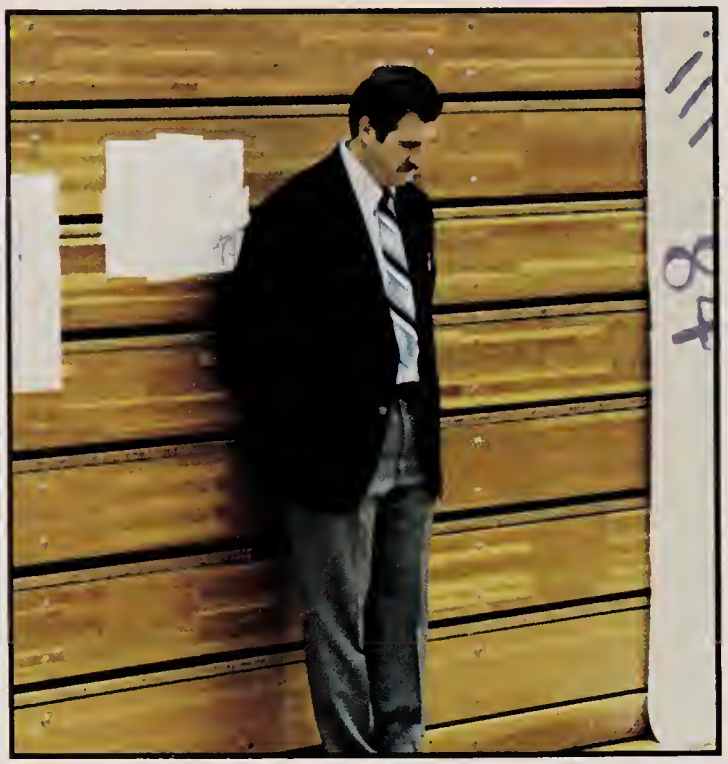
Charles M. Irish
Ass't. Superintendent

Louis Vetter
Treasurer

James I. May
Director of Instruction

Daniel C. Groh
Director of Student Services

Jeffrey J. Eble
Business Manager



A teacher's work is never done. (At top) From the expressions of Miss Marilyn Cross and Mr. T.J. Alexander, we find teachers aren't the only ones who have mixed emotions about grade cards. (C) ***Mr. Postman, alias Mr. Mark Hutsko,*** played the piano for girls' ensemble in Spice. (C) ***Civics teacher*** Mr. Jim Davis isn't unhappy (above left). He is just ignoring the chair at the mock convention so that the chairmen have to handle problems themselves. (J) (above right) ***If the school*** ever comes into the 20th century, perhaps grade cards will be done by computer. Until then Mrs. Mary Wanko plugs away at putting her grades on the old-fashion way — by hand. (C) (above) ***Mr. Rich Clevidence*** spends his time helping students with their homework. (C) (at right) ***Mr. Jim Houghtaling looks*** over his class roster at self-scheduling. (A)

Principals and Counselors Provide Guidance, Discipline, and Support

Running a high school with 1500 students and around 100 staff members is no easy task. Principals must worry about discipline, scheduling, building maintenance, curriculum planning, and many other concerns that students never consider. Often students stereotype the principals as the "bad guys", the ones who make up rules and then insist they be obeyed. Unit principal Robert Dague takes such complaints in stride.

"The student who behaves as a lady or gentleman has no trouble with the few rules we have. It is really easier to be a lady or gentleman and enjoy school than it is to be otherwise and, thus, not enjoy school," he said.

Besides dealing with students, the principals have to field questions and comments from parents, teachers, counselors, maintenance staff, and community members. How do they handle the pressure? According to Principal Augie Rios, "Complaints and problems don't bother me. The pressure goes

with the job and as long as people are courteous and polite, I can handle them."

Principals aren't the only ones who can feel pressure. Students, too, are being pushed in many different directions whether by their parents, peers, teachers, or their own feelings. To help them sort out the maze of choices, five guidance counselors (one for each grade and a vocational counselor) offer advice about selecting and scheduling courses, preparing for careers, investigating college choices, and dealing with personal problems. This year counselors Barbara Southers and Laura Strle began a Peer Counseling group which provides training for selected student volunteers who are then available to listen to their peers' problems and offer them some alternatives. Mrs. Strle said of the group, "The peer team is a caring, sensitive group of students who want to help others work on their problems. They have been well-trained. They've spent over twenty-five hours in learning how to be good listeners. I believe in them and trust in their good judgement and ability to keep a confidence. They're just super!"

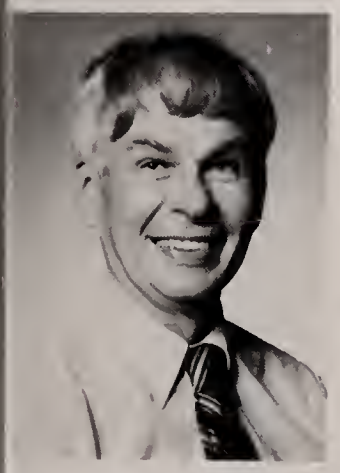
Above: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Easterday and Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Platz join in the laughter at the Homecoming pep rally as students competed in the hoola hoop competition. (E)

Mr. Augie Rios
Principal

Mr. Robert Dague
Unit Principal, 11, 12

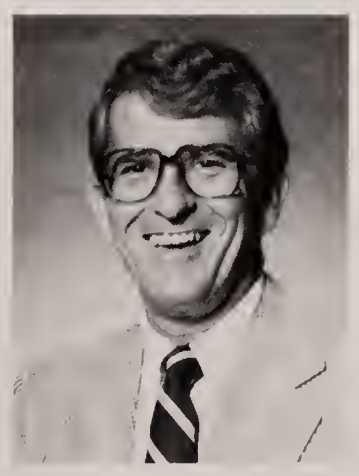
Mr. Russell Easterday
Unit Principal, 9, 10

Mr. Rollie Platz
Athletic Director



Mr. Stan O'Connor
Senior Counselor

Mrs. Laura Strle
Junior Counselor



Mr. Robert Peters
Sophomore Counselor

Ms. Barbara Southers
Freshman Counselor

Mr. Robert P. Gaume
Vocational Counselor

Good Natured Faculty Take Jokes In Stride

Being a good sport is often a necessity for teachers, because they are often at the mercy of practical jokers who take great pleasure in creating embarrassing but hilarious situations. Sometimes it's done for a good cause like when Mrs. Mary Jane Brewer (above) agreed to be sold at Key Club's Buy-A-Buddy auction. Often the jokers sneak up on a teacher as Andrea Johnson is doing to Mrs. Mary Wanko (right). The joking fever even spreads to faculty members as Mr. Doug Walker discovered on his 40th birthday (page 179).

While some jokes are mean and can make a substitute teacher run screaming from the room, others are just plain good fun. It all depends on who's laughing. Mr. Carl Skorepa remembers the time a speech student handcuffed him to his desk during a demonstration speech and then wouldn't unlock him. Or what about the time Mr. T.J. Alexander pulled down the periodic table chart to find a centerfold taped there. Rumor has it that this has happened to other teachers as well and is a yearly favorite.

Miss Linda Ocepek will always be embarrassed by the time she let students out of class early because someone in the back of the room played a tape recording of the bell ringing.

Another time when a class had a good laugh at the expense of the teacher was when substitute teacher Mr. Tom Kaiser sat unknowingly in front of a board that said, "Kisses $1." Some photographic wizard thought it was funny to superimpose a bull's eye on top of Mr. John Berger's photograph and then tape it to the office window. Marty Keith will never forget the time he convinced Mrs. Georgana Anderson that his real name was "Bootsy Collins."

How many teachers have been caught taking attendance for these missing students: Chuck Wagon, Ben Dover, Rusty Pipe, and others whose names are too obscene to mention. *(This story is continued on page 180.)*

Mr. T.J. Alexander: Ohio State University, Chemistry; ***Mr. Glenn Apple:*** Bowling Green State University, Ohio State University, General Math, Pre-Algebra; ***Mr. John Berger:*** Ashland College, Youngstown University, Honors Algebra II, Elementary Math Analysis, Math Topics; ***Mrs. Deborah Bock:*** Miami University, Home Economics I, II, Non-Major Foods; ***Mrs. Mary Jane Brewer:*** Akron University, Freshman English, Sophomore Composition

Miss Sue Bryenton: Akron University, Basic Freshman English, Basic Sophomore Literature, Sophomore Composition; ***Mr. George Calich:*** Northern Alabama University, Akron University, OWE; ***Mr. John P. Carrick:*** Akron University, Cleveland State, Special Education; ***Mr. Neil Chesney:*** Kent State University, Expository Writing, Sophomore Composition, Mythology, British Literature; ***Mr. James Cheuvront:*** Ohio University, Kent State University, Drafting I, II, Architecture, Aviation Science, Journalism Photography

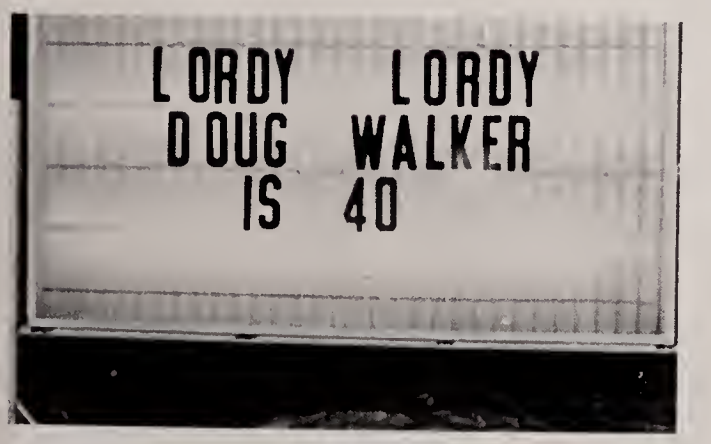
Miss Judy Chiaramonte: Kent State University, Spanish I, II; ***Mr. Gary Ciulla:*** Kent State University, Concert Band, Marching Band, Stardusters; ***Mr. Rich Clevidence:*** Kent State University, Learning Disabilities Teacher; ***Mrs. Caroline Cook:*** Kent State University, Learning Disabilities Teacher; ***Mr. Alan Cooksey:*** Wooster, Kent State University, American History, Sociology

Ms. Marilyn Cross: Wooster, Akron University, AP Math (calculus), Algebra II, Computer; ***Mr. Alan Darner:*** Kent State University, Bookkeeping, General Business, Typing I; ***Mr. Michael P. Davanzo:*** Kent State University, Latin I-IV, German III, IV; ***Mr. James L. Davis:*** Wooster, Ohio State University, Civics; ***Mr. Jim Demo:*** Capital University, University of Cincinnati, Geometry

Mrs. Dorothy Elrick: Hiram College, Akron University, A.P. English, Honors Sophomore Composition and Literature, World Literature; ***Mrs. Irma Fritz:*** Michigan State University, Learning Disabilities Teacher; ***Mr. Tom George:*** Mount Union College, American History; ***Mrs. Kay Glover:*** Baldwin Wallace College, Akron University, Family Living, Home Economics I, Non-Major Foods; ***Mr. Stan Graham:*** Ohio State University, Wesleyan University, Earth Science, Chemistry, Physics

Mr. Daniel Halcik, Jr.: Baldwin Wallace College, Kent State University, German, Psychology; ***Mrs. Jan Harris:*** Glenville State College, Case Western Reserve University, Media Specialist; ***Mr. Roger Hathaway:*** Ohio State University, Typing I, II, Recordkeeping; ***Mrs. Linda Horwath:*** Cleveland State University, Spanish I, III, IV; ***Mr. James Houghtaling:*** Baldwin Wallace, Akron University, Physical Education

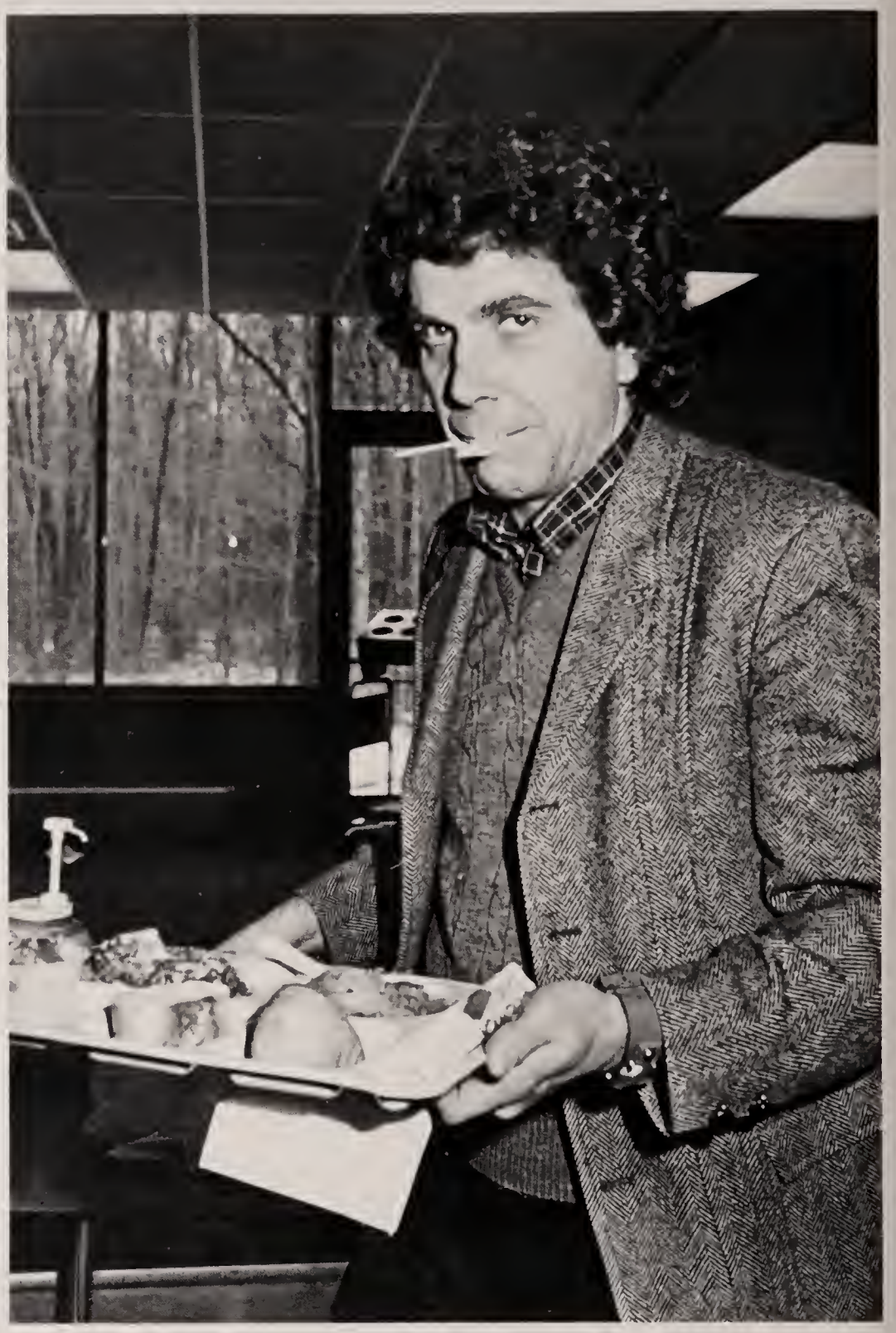
Mr. Mark Hutsko: Ohio State University, Akron University, Vocal Music; ***Mr. Denni Interliggi:*** Kent State, Akron University, Honors Geometry, Pre-Calculus; ***Mrs. Aniko Jalics:*** Akron University, Geometry, Pre-Algebra; ***Mr. John Keefer:*** Ashland College, OWA; ***Mr. David Kelley:*** Manhattan College, University of Connecticut, Creative Writing, Science Fiction, Sophomore Literature



"It will be a birthday I will never forget. "O" and Pritch: I'll get even!"

Mr. Doug Walker

Practical Jokers Strike Without Warning



Teachers never know when a practical joker may strike next. Mr. Rich Clevidence remembers the time someone unhooked the power on his wheelchair so it wouldn't move. He said, "I kept trying to go forward, but I couldn't go anywhere." The cross country team once caught Mr. Jim Demo napping on the way home from a meet and so they took the opportunity to put apple cores in his hood and on top of his head.

Some practical jokers turn to forgery to play their tricks. English teacher Mrs. Carol Lenk explains what happened to her. "We once had a teacher here who was really good at forging Mr. Rios' signature and at the time I was driving an old junky red V.W. with the door falling off. One day I went to my car and there was a note on the car in Mr. Rios' handwriting on his stationery. It said, 'This car is a disgrace. Either get rid of it or come see me.' I went to see him just shaking like a leaf, but he had no idea about what was going on. It had been the work of the practical joker."

According to Mr. Lindy McQuown (right) two former students used to call him Mr. Brady (as in the Brady Bunch TV show). On Valentine's Day they continued the joke by sending him flowers and signing a note with Love, Carol. At the time he had a student in his class named Carol who was constantly critizing everything he did. He thought the flowers were from her in the way of an apology and so he thanked her. Two days later the jokesters appeared to ask him if he had enjoyed the flowers they sent. Naturally he was embarrassed.

Mr. John Kelly: Akron University, Economics, American History; ***Mr. James Lavery:*** Hiram, Kent State University, Algebra II; ***Mrs. Sharon Layton:*** Bowling Green State University, American Literature, Sophomore Composition; ***Mrs. Carol Lenk:*** Allegheny College, Honors Junior English, Pleasurable Reading, Modern Novel; ***Mr. Ray Libengood:*** Ashland College, Art, Drawing, Painting, Commercial Art

Mrs. Linda Limpert: Bowling Green State University, Sociology, Afro-Asian History, European History; ***Mrs. Jill Linek:*** Miami University, Spanish; ***Mrs. Nancy Livingston:*** Kansas State University, Learning Disabilities Teacher; ***Mrs. Jackie Loomis:*** Miami University, Akron University, Earth Science; ***Mr. Mark Loomis:*** Ohio Northern, Pre-Algebra, Algebra I

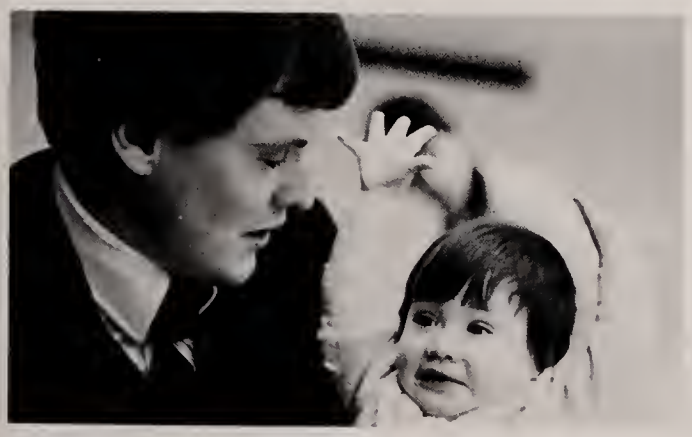
Mrs. Eleanor McCandless: Michigan State University, Senior Review, Honors Freshman Grammar, Short Stories; ***Miss Nancy McNeal:*** Ohio State University, Marching and Symphonic Band; ***Mr. Lindy McQuown:*** Bowling Green State University, Biology; ***Mr. Tim Myers:*** Ashland College, OWE II; ***Mrs. Fran Obarski:*** Akron University, Home Economics I

Miss Linda Ocepek: Kent State University, Mass Media, Science Fiction, Journalistic Writing, ***Medinamite, Medinian; Mr. Mark Osterland:*** Kent State University, Sophomore Literature, Humor, Sports in Literature; ***Mr. Mike Pallini:*** Wilmington College, John Carroll University, Drafting I, Auto, Power; ***Mr. Dale Patterson:*** Akron University, Art; ***Mrs. Lenore Peyton:*** Akron University, Learning Disabilities Teacher

Mr. Del Phillips: Fairmont State College, Typing, Business Law, Business Machines; ***Miss Michele Pringle:*** Akron University, French II-IV; ***Miss Jeanne Pritchard:*** Ohio State University, Welding, Hot Metals, Cold Metals, Advanced Metals; ***Mr. Kenneth Sanford:*** University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin, Orchestra, String Classes

Mrs. Leilani Savick: Kent State University, Shorthand, Notehand, Office Procedures, Personal Typing; ***Mrs. Karen Schmidt:*** Cleveland State University, American History; ***Mr. John Semenik:*** Bluffton College, European History, Asian History, A.P. History; ***Mr. John Shuman:*** Akron University, Earth Science; ***Mr. Carl Skorepa:*** Baldwin Wallace, Speech, Freshman English, Debate, Radio-TV Production, Sophomore Composition

Mr. John Snively: Wittenburg University, Woodworking I-IV; ***Miss Genie Somogyi:*** Drama Acting, Speech, Miami University; ***Mrs. Sue Stoffer:*** University of Illinois, Spanish I, III, IV; ***Mrs. Helen Streett:*** Bluffton College, Special Education, English, Social Studies; ***Mr. Joseph Swinglish:*** California State, Oklahoma University, Honors Earth Science, Physics



Baby Boom

Since July 13, 1982 when Kimberly Ann Interliggi was born to Mr. and Mrs. Denni Interliggi, nine other faculty members have added to their families. Future members of the classes of 2000 and 2001 include Elizabeth Ann Cheuvront, Julie Marie Semenik (pictured left with her father), Jessica Ann Loomis, Erika Maria Schmidt, Matthew Blake Schumaker, John Nicholas Shuan, Cortney Ann Tisher, Kristin Nicole Hutsko and Matthew Jason Pallini who was born May 14, 1984.

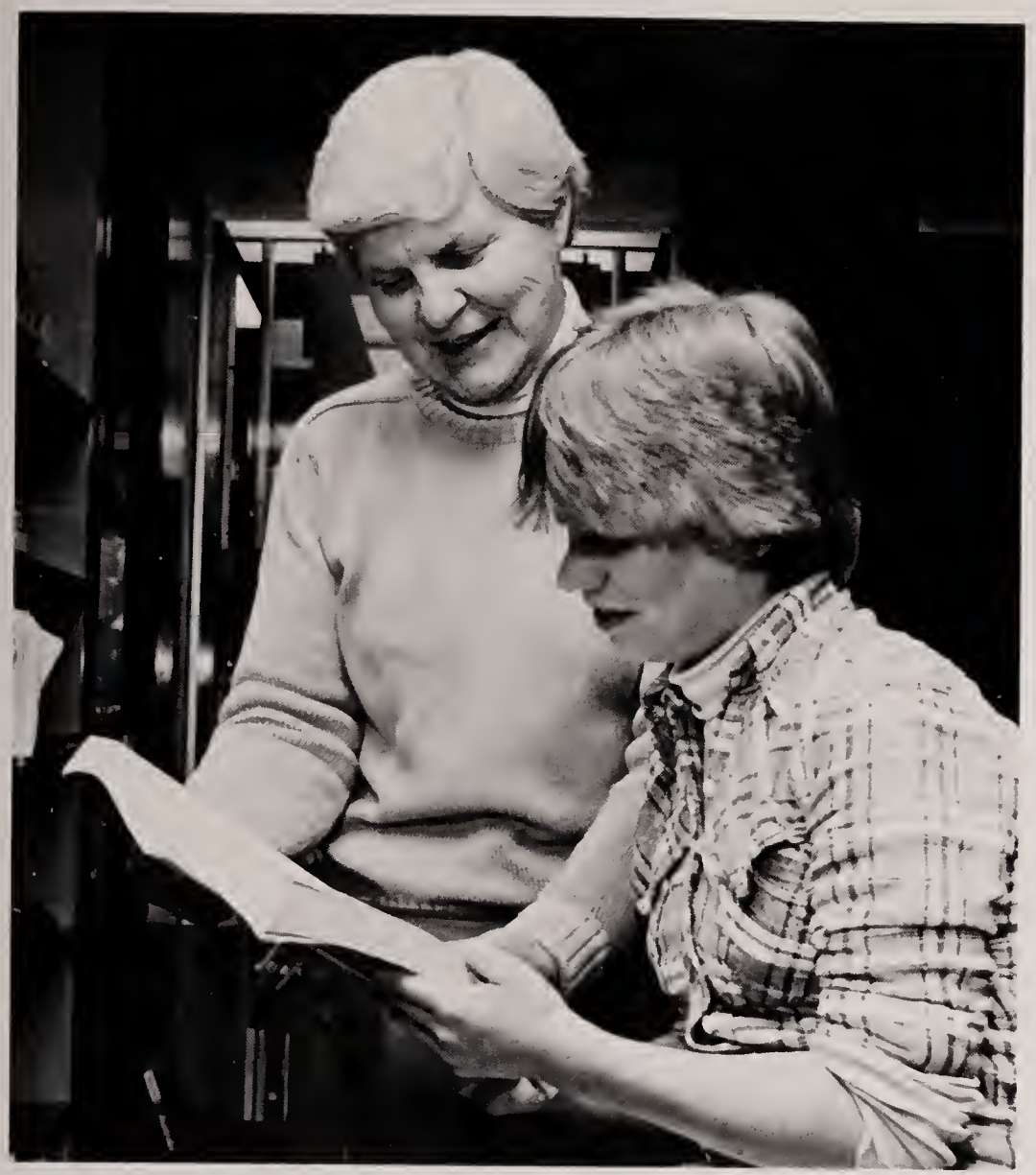
New Food Service

The biggest change in the cafeteria this year was the new management provided by a professional food service company. While prices were higher, a wide variety of selections was offered. According to a Student Council survey of the entire student body, 5 of the students bought their lunch. Opinion was split 50-50 on whether or not the food had improved. Most complaints had nothing to do with the food but instead revolved around the lack of seating in the cafeteria. ***Right***-English teacher Dave Kelley samples a spaghetti lunch. Teachers paid $1.60 for a type A lunch plus milk (A) ***Below***-Freshman Andy Rupprecht buys a lunch for $1 from Mrs. Lucy Rogers. In the student poll students praised the cafeteria staff for being friendly and efficient. (A)

Mr. Ron Tisher: Bowling Green State University, Ashland College, Speech, English, Pleasurable Reading, British Literature; ***Mr. James D. Valentine:*** Akron University, Civics, European History; ***Mr. Scott Van Fleet:*** Muskingum College, Biology, Earth Science; ***Mr. Douglas L. Walker:*** Baldwin Wallace, Honors Biology, Biology, A.P. Biology

Mrs. Mary Wanko: Kent State University, Health, Physical Education; ***Ms. Jane Watt:*** Grove City College, French I, II; ***Mrs. Elizabeth Webber:*** Rhode Island College, Akron University, Reading, Ungraded English; ***Mr. Jim Wells:*** Ball State University, Physical Education

Mr. Dale Weygandt: College of Wooster, Indiana University, Health; ***Mrs. Barbara Wiegand:*** Western Reserve University, Case Western Reserve, Media Center Director; ***Mrs. Cindy Wismar:*** Mount Union College, Algebra I; ***Mr. Kevin Zumkehr:*** Grove City College, Algebra I, Computer



Behind The Scenes

Support Staff Helps Everyone

The people behind the scenes at Medina who try to make the day for administrators, teachers, and students as flawless as possible are known as the support staff. Their office work consists of keeping students' records, typing, supervising, answering the telephones, and taking messages.

Other support staff members patrol the halls, supervise the in-school suspension room, manage the cafeteria, and maintain the building in a good condition. In the media center the library aides perform various technical jobs including handling book orders and AV equipment. In every area of the school the support staff help to make this school a good place to be.

At *left*-Library aide Mrs. Dottie Wood assists a student with a quick reference book. (A)

Mrs. Lois Anderson: Office Secretary
Mrs. Betty Boyer: Guidance Office Secretary
Mrs. Evelyn Fedor: Library Aide
Mrs. Wilma Fuller: Head Utility Worker

Mrs. Linda Kafides: Teacher's Aide/Hall Monitor
Mrs. Clayde Lewis: Suspension Supervisor
Mrs. Stephanie McClung: Athletic Office Secretary
Mrs. Shirley Palinchik: Cafeteria Manager
Mrs. Sue Reddy: A.M. Switchboard Operator

Mrs. Alberta Taylor: Main Office Secretary
Mrs. Jean Thornburg: Main Office Secretary
Mrs. Jeanne Vereb: P.M. Switchboard Operator
Mrs. Sonny Wilkinson: Attendance Officer
Mrs. Dorothy Wood: Library Aide

Juniors

One More Year To Go

Everyone waits for that glorious moment when you can go from being the harassed freshman, to the ignored sophomore, and finally to the almost-made-it junior. However, it is true when people say that the waiting doesn't end as you grow older. Everyone thought being a junior would be great, yet when you reach that age, you just can't wait to become a senior.

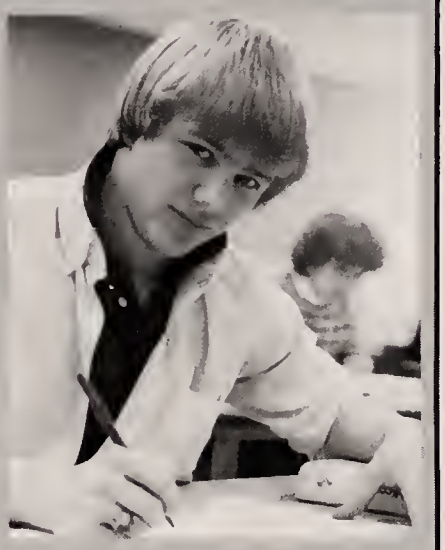
Luckily, your junior year of high school is a very busy and important one. A great amount of time, effort, and hard work goes into preparing for the prom and banquet which are the main concerns of the junior class. Running concession stands, working at the MIT, and selling candles helped to raise the large amount of money needed to have a successful prom and banquet.

Preparing for college is another way many juniors spend their year. Taking the ACT and SAT, looking into different schools, and studying extra hard to receive a high grade point average don't always allow much free time. There is also the added threat of class rank which is received toward the end of the year.

There are a lot of added pressures your junior year, but somehow you know you can survive and become the long awaited senior.

Junior Amy Ingraham rushes to class in order to make it within the short four minutes allotted. (A)

Jay Chrien, as described by girl friend Mary Haumesser, is a skier, golfer, and study hall sleeper. He's rarely seen without his leather jacket and likes to shop, even though he won't admit it! (F)



Leaping over trash cans at wrestling practice is one way Dave Wagner gets in shape for the season.

Michelle Abbey
Kim Adams
Tony Anthony
Mike Ambroziak
Todd Angus
Lisa Argiry
Tracey Aspery
Rhonda Athey
Brad Auker
Michelle Barnett
John Beard
Thea Beaulieu
Mike Benner
Lynn Bennett
Richard Bennington
Holly Bensinger
Kimberly Beyman
Terry Blackburn
Susan Blair
Mike Blakslee
Jennifer Boehnlein
Carl Bogar
Mike Bogdan
Roger Boone
Peggy Borsich
Mike Bowman
Tina Brackney
Don Bradley

Leading the Junior Class are Dave Wagner, vice president; Zan Dudick, president; Wendy Hamrick, secretary; Matt Obloy, treasurer. The representatives are John Cavanagh, Jill Kumbier, Cheryl Leland, Julie Schaefer, Michelle Smalling, and Karen Zemnickas. (G)

Algebra II homework was not the only school related activity occupying Ed Smietana's time. Ed was also on the varsity soccer team and one of the students to go to Spain. (A)

Mark Malone and Matt Chronister carefully weigh an object in chemistry. Both have been very active in varsity sports, lettering in both soccer and tennis. (A)

Dealing with an identity crisis, Junior Rob Hodge displays his name and occupation which is taped in his locker as a constant reminder. (A)

Adam Brandt
Keith Brock
Tim Brown
Dee Bryson
Amy Buchanan
John Buczko
Bobbie Butler

Shelly Callahan
Mike Canfield
Kristi Carpenter
Craig Carr
Bill Casey
John Cavanagh
Scott Chambers

Regina Changes
Jacquie Chapman
Nancy Charnock
Dennis Chase
Lee Cheng
Jay Chrien
Matt Chronister

Terry Church
Karen Cigahn
Chuck Clapper
Angie Cloud
Doug Cochran
Sue Codding
John Cogar

Erin Colburn
Jim Collins
Veronica Colvin
Steve Conder
Drew Cooper
Craig Cornell
Scott Cottrill
Richard Cowley
Michael Creadon
Kelly Crittenden
Debra Crocker
John Crooks
Kay Daniels
Todd Davies
Barby Davis
Ruth Deak
Fred Depew
Tami DeWeese
Christy DiClemente
Svetlana Dikic
Scott Dix
Mike Dreibelbis
Zan Dudick
Maribeth Duta
John Easton
Kelley Egan
Lori Eiserlo
Dawn Ellinwood
Bob Ensor
Jay Erb
Richie Estavanko
Doug Ewing
Laura Fanelli
Marne Fauber
Cindy Faur
Wendi Feeser
Dana Felice
Jim Ferguson
Pat Feron
Gary Fetzer
Lisa Finley
Brent Flickinger
Chris Flickinger
Lynne Flood
Jeff Foose
Christy Freeman
Yvette Fuller
Kelley Gardner
Todd Gaskell

Managing both the varsity football and basketball teams and statting for boys track, Jill Keenan finally finds a few minutes to relax in class. (F)

Jim Gaynor
Lisa Gaynor
Barry Gearing
Dan George
Lori Gerhart
Tony Gianvito
Jon Gibbs

Kurt Gibson
Susan Gifford
Cathy Gilles
Andree Gillis
David Giovinazzo
Laura Gissinger
Monica Glauner

Susan Graber
Renee Greene
Earlene Gregory
Pat Griffor
Darrell Gross
Mike Gubeno
Steve Hall

Scott Hamilton
Wendy Hamrick
Sean Haney
Lisa Hanshue
Debbie Harrell
Ott Harrison
Brent Harvel

Ellen Haueisen
Mary Haumesser
Tim Hawk
Todd Heim
LeeAnn Hendrickson
Tom Hessler
Lynnette Heysek

Brian Hill
Heidi Hochradel
Rob Hodge
Susan Hoffman
Walter Hoffman
Chuck Hofmeister
Fred Hollopeter

Dan Holt
Norene Holt
Brian Hood
Brenda Hosick
Cathi Hotes
Tim Hotz
Mark Hubbard

Junior Prom and Banquet Committee Heads Row 1: Wendy Hamrick, Cheryl Leland, Michelle Smalling, Karen Zemnickas, Benji Sutandar, Wendy Neal, Jill Kumbier, Julie Schaefer; ***Row 2:*** Tim Brown, Christy Luneke, Karlene Rodgers, Laura Lucht; ***Row 3:*** Donna Payne, Kurt Gibson, Zan Dudick, Kay Williams, Ginny Maxwell, Sandi Laliberte, Steve Kenat, Matt Obloy. ***Not pictured:*** Ross Lungaro, Kimberly Beyman, John Cavanagh, Chris Hughes, Lisa Finley, Kim Pethtel, Dave Wagner, Brian Kiley, Ellen Hauiesen, Lori Laribee. (A)

"Thursdays go so slow but . . .

I've got Friday on my mind."

Levi Lewis comments, "Medina is boring on the weekends. All I do is play computer games and make programs." (A)

In this quaint little town, Friday night action sometimes leaves a lot to be desired. High school students are challenged weekly to find exciting ways to spend their weekends. Of course, there is always something to do. However, it may take all weekend just to find out what it is.

The situation is more difficult for individuals who cannot drive. Unless they hang around with older friends their list of possible activities declines sharply. Requiring minimal transportation could be a trip to the local cinema. Now that Medina has added an additional theater, the choice of movies has increased and the atmosphere is a lot nicer. If exercise sounds exciting, Medinians try the local skating rink located on the swinging corner of Pearl and Fenn.

After such a rigorous workout "America's Meat and Potatoes" could be calling you to McDonalds; or if you're looking for the "beef," you'll have to cross the street and go to Wendy's. Medina also has a wide variety of pizza places and donut shops, including the "open all night Mr. Donut" for those who keep late hours.

Besides eating, there is always a sport in season so you could follow your favorite team to at least the home games. In the summer months there are weekly band concerts on Friday nights. In colder months, Reagan Park provides an excellent place for sledding and snowmobiling. Guy Swingle summed up the nondriving situation and added a bit of hope. "Medina is boring, but there is always something you can find to do: a party, interscholastic activities, movies and almost always Mac's."

For the more fortunate, who need only to obtain the car keys and car for a night, the possibilities could be endless. Because both large cities of Akron and Cleveland are within an hour from Medina, these students' night life doesn't have to suffer from the confines of an inactive town.

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Chris Hughes
Matt Hules
Amy Ingraham
Russ Jackenheimer
Michelle Jackson
Elizabeth Jaeger
Donna Johnson
Tim Kay
Jill Keenan
Darlene Kemp
Steve Kenat
Jeff Kessler
Chris Keyser
Brian Kiley
Tammy Kilgore
Andrew King
Suzie Kinstle
Joe Kirkham
Michele Klembarsky
Jeff Komjati
Shawn Kowal
Joe Krajewski
Nate Krans
Bob Krejci
Tom Krejci
Tim Krosse
Ted Kuehn
Dawn Kuenzer
Jill Kumbier
Buffy Labbe
Sandi Laliberte
Russ Land
Nate Lanzer
Lauri Laribee
Mike LeBlanc

Sophomore Guy Swingle agrees that finding excitement in Medina may be difficult "but there's always something to do." (B)

Nancy Charnock gives cheerleader Lori Marchiano a shoulder rub before she cheers for the varsity game. Many students spend their weekends cheering on a team at a variety of athletic events. (A)

Bruce Lee
Jim Leicher
Cheryl Leland
Andy Lewis
Levi Lewis
Michelle Lewis
David Ling

Lori Lobinger
Kim Lockhart
James Loew
Peggy Long
Rich Longacre
Rick Loudin
Elaine Lowry

Laura Lucht
Donna Luffman
Christy Luneke
Nick Lungaro
Ross Lungaro
Kevin Luquire
Steve Luxon

Dana Mack
Sara Mack
Shelley Mackin
John Maier
Callie Makowski
Mark Malone
Lori Marchiano

Diane Mardavich
Joe Maria
Tina Mason
Bryant Matthews
Ginny Maxwell
Michele McArdle
Laurie McCarthy

Scott McCourt
Jean McDade
Jenny McIlvaine
David McKenzie
Dale McPherson
Mike Metzger
Sam Meuler
Brooke Miller
Chad Miller
Dan Miller
Greg Mizerik
Troy Moody
Becky Moon
Leslie Morrisette
Kelli Morrison
Bill Musolf
Wendy Neal
Stan Nelsen
Michele Neumeyer
Lauren Newkirk
Dave Niedzwiechi
Sue Nock
Matt Obloy
Lynelle Omwake
Michele Owen
Sheryl Owen
Tom Paluscsak
Stephanie Parks
James Patneau
Melissa Patterson
Donna Payne
Jenni Penton
Kim Pethtel
Steve Phillips
Tim Phillips
Mike Pilarski
Tom Pleiman
Chris Price
Patty Provagna
Brian Quinn
Dan Radecki
Tom Radecki
Karin Rebescher
Kelly Reinhardt
Mitch Reinhardt
Bruce Reinke
Brett Richards
Porter Richardson
Tom Ridge

Junior Tim Krosse, who chose to attend the JVS, still participates in soccer and wrestling. Tim, along with senior Laura Kessler, is a JVS spokesperson to Student Council. (B)

Sheri Ring
Gary Robins
Tab Robson
Karlene Rodgers
Jocelyn Rog
Tim Ruppelli
Colleen Rutter

Dale Ryant
Kris Rynearson
Rosanna Sadzewicz
Ray Sammartano
Dave Sanders
Ron Schaedel
Julie Schaefer

Steve Schoen
Alan Schwandt
Steve Schwandt
Tracy Schwandt
Diane Segbers
Peggy Segbers
Sally Seitz

Troy Selzer
Ron Sency
Julie Shaffer
Don Shearer
Paul Shearer
Eric Shellito
Mike Shields

Lora Shimer
Nancy Simko
Randy Sitz
Rick Sitz
Greg Slyman
Michelle Smalling
Laurie Smerick

Ed Smietana
Eric Smith
Ron Smudz
Cheryl Sobczak
Connie Sobczak
James Spires
Sherry Sroka

Mark Stadnik
Karen Stanley
Paul Starcher
Tim States
Carol Steele
Rob Stein
Paul Stetz

Fridays

For instance, if the movie showing at Medina doesn't suit you, a trip to Summit or Rolling Acres Mall may provide one that does. The Drive-in is also a popular hangout.

Hinckley Park is a comparable distance away and offers entertainment for all seasons. In the summer a swim, picnic, or lazy walk on the ledges can all be accomplished here. In the winter sledding, snowmobiling, and cross country skiing are popular and don't forget the spring for the buzzards to come in on March 15!

One of more ultimate experiences entails taking in a concert at the Coliseum or Blossom Music Center. To dance as well as listen to music, students over 18 head to the Agora.

Shelly Sabo commented, "The Agora is very entertaining and a great place for socializing. The nice thing is that the age limit to get in is not the drinking age which allows more people to go."

Finally, for entertainment further from home, many students take road trips to amusement parks like Cedar Point or Kings's Island and neighboring colleges like Ohio State, Bowling Green, and Ohio University.

Actually there are many things to do in Medina. It may just take a little more effort to find out what and where they are.

Beeliner Mary Haumesser clowns around after performing at the Friday night football games. The Beeliners and Marching Band performed at every football game during the season. (E)

Juniors Not Pictured

Maryanna Blackburn
Roberta Burton
Debbie Capiot
Lori Cotman
Dare Flickinger
Tab Frederick
Ted Gaines
Shirely Glover
Tammy Glover
Amy Hickok
John Jeandrevin
Billy Landers
Georgianna Mason
Jason Matthews
Debbie Miller
John Nenzoski
Kimberly Payne
Timothy Peck
Frank Potemski
Mike Sanders
Mike Sheck
Doug Tibbetts
Dave Tripepi
Beth Unland

Jon Stupar
Ben Sutandar
Susan Swingle
Greg Takas

Chris Talbert
Michelle Thomas
James Thompson
Jeff Thompson
Lisa Thurman
Chris Tindell
Mike Turk

Debbie Underwood
Lori Vance
Cary Vonderau
Darla Vornberger
David Wagner
Amy Wallace
Keith Walter

Ken Ward
Betsy Wardle
Bill Wardle
Bill Ware
Tracy Wass
Amy Watko
Lisa Waybright

Excuses, Excuses What's Yours?

From a simple "I didn't have the time" to the infamous "I did it but my dog ate the paper," students put their imaginations to work to find convincing excuses. Yet as you are telling a teacher the reason you aren't able to answer question No. 5, do you feel they believe your story? Many teachers can tell when an excuse is being used and yet others have a difficult time recognizing the truth from a lie.

There must be a list of excuses a mile long yet it seems the most simple are used most often to keep them convincing. "I lost it," "forgot to take home my book," and "I couldn't understand the homework" are just a few that teachers have been hearing for years.

Excuses are not only used for unfinished homework, but also for being late for class. Many people seem to have lockers that malfunction as you often listen to "my locker was jammed." "I had something in my eye," "Someone knocked all my books down," and the old, but effective excuse of "I didn't have enough time to make it across the school," all have proved to be worthy of at least one try.

Along with being late to class many people have found themselves tardy to school. Claiming that "my car wouldn't start" or "My ride was late" aren't likely to get you an excused entrance, but of course, you can always just say you were sick with a fever. Who cares if it only lasted for five minutes?

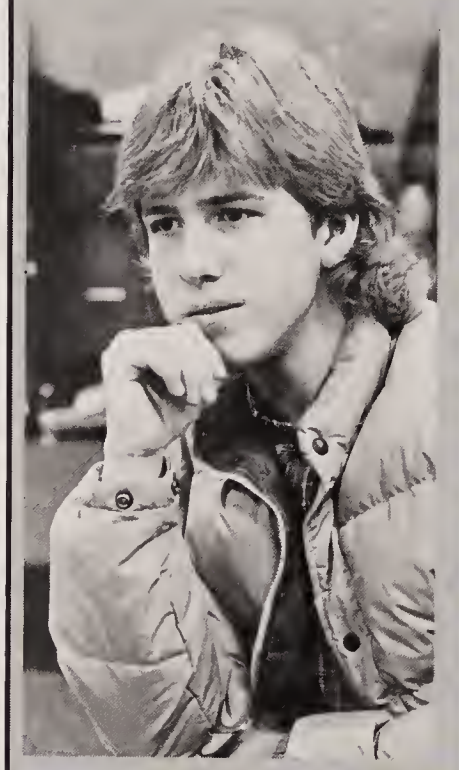
Susie Kinstle, who once sported a braid 4 inches longer than the rest of her hair, took a more conservative approach this year by cutting it off. (A)

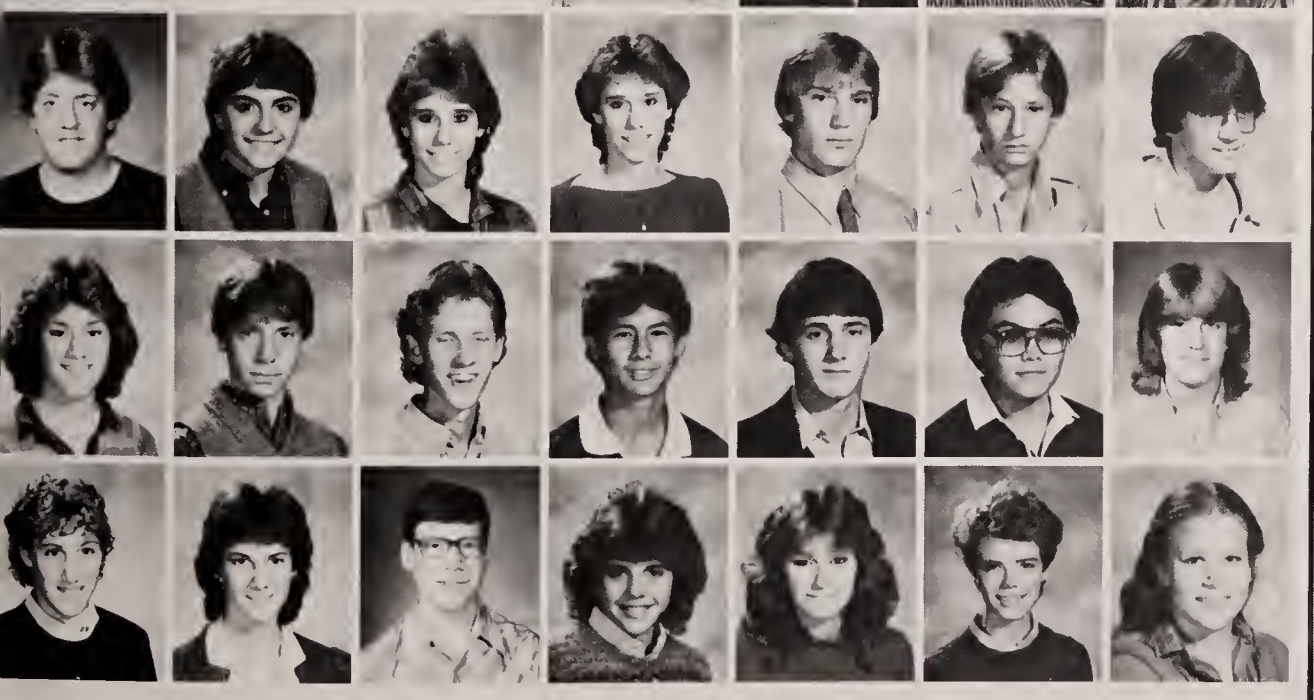
John Cavanagh displays his school spirit by working at the concession stand. Juniors who worked many hours were rewarded with positions as prom and banquet committee heads. (B)

Looking at the National Honor Society display case in the library is Junior Karen Stanley. The display was in honor of the annual NHS Week. (F)

Attempting to master the much dreaded chemistry worksheets is Tracy Wass. Tracy is also active in Marching Band and AFS. (A)

Jim Ferguson sits quietly and contemplates the next excuse he'll give Mr. Demo for missing track practice. (A)





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Karl Wedemeier
Sally Wellman
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Rich Wightman
Crystal Williams
Kay Williams
Kelly Williams
Carl Wilson
Greg Wilson
Jeff Wilson

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Scott Wilson
Eric Woebkenberg
Peter Wong
Jeff Workman
Eric Wu
Brenda Wyant

Kara Yant
Vicki Yavoich
Ben Zacharias
Karen Zemnickas
Brenda Zisk
Julie Zoller
Dawn Zurell

Somewhere In Between: Sophomores Show Spirit

Leading the sophomores are Missy Filer, Vice President; Karyn Sands, President; Kristy Brewer, Treasurer; and Stacy Sanford, Secretary. Representatives for the class are: Amy Arehart, Katie Cavanagh, Laurel Felice, Cathy Kemp, Jenny Redick, and Diane Syrek. (G)

Karyn Sands and Diane Syrek join forces to pass out the Spirit Awards at the Homecoming Rally. (E)

Being a sophomore can almost compare to being a middle child. You are no longer looked at as the baby of the school yet you aren't at the older child, upperclassmen age.

The year may be summed up as a boring in between stage yet many important activities take place during this year. Class rings are ordered, a selected few serve at the junior senior banquet, and the lucky people of the class receive their drivers license.

The sophomores dominated the school in class spirit by winning the Homecoming Spirit Week. Pulling together as a class was the major reason for the win. Class officer Stacy Sanford commented, "We all worked so hard. Spirit Week really brought out the unity in our class." Building the effigy for the bonfire and decorating for the Homecoming dance are two other important jobs of sophomore class members.

Under the leadership of second year class president Karyn Sands, the sophomores began preparing early for their junior year by having fund raisers. Selling jewelry was the major project along with the normal bake sales. The extra money will be very useful next year when the class will build their first float and be in charge of prom and banquet.

Michelle Anderson
Dale Angus
Ricky Anthony
Robert Anthony
Dawn Appelgate
Yvonne Appelgate
Amy Arehart
Laura Augustajtis
Linda Ault
Bob Baker
Dave Banks
Anamarie Behun
Dorothy Benner
Becky Bennett
Leslie Berg
Lisa Bieniek
Wendy Billington
Monica Blinco
Arnie Blough
Jamey Bock
Rich Bonitz
Carla Bowyer
Mark Bradley
Paul Braun
Kim Breker
Kristy Brewer
Gary Bromley
Danelle Brown

Sophomore Ricky Anthony relaxes in commons with Senior Betty Tucker. (A)

Supposed tough guy Mike Burns takes a record keeping test. (F)

Susan Jaklisch does her German homework in the library. (F)

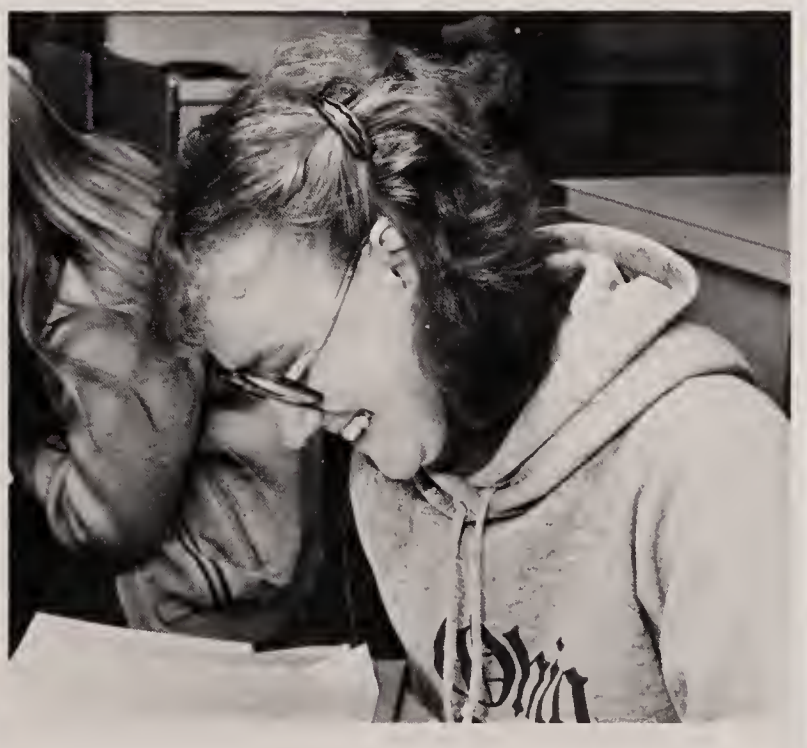
Receiving a flower from an unknown admirer brightened the day for Katie Cavanagh. (A)

Natalie Brown
Jenny Buck
Lisa Buckloh
Denise Capiot
Cathy Carlisle
Sherry Carrino
Wendie Carroll
Angela Carte
Brian Carver
Jodi Cashion
Kristen Cassel
Mike Cassidy
Katie Cavanagh
John Cesare
Graham Chalfant
Terri Champion
Kari Chaney
Marilyn Chapman
Christine Chen
Jake Chidsey
Lynne Chmielewski
Ken Christian
Carl Clapper
Ladd Clifford
John Cloud
Jim Coburn
Dan Colonna
Marie Conder

Dave Cooper
Jim Cool
Brian Corrigan
Kathleen Coy
John Cragar
Rick Crocker
Alison Crooks
John Curci
Annette Cutlip
Cathy Czajka
Deanna Dague
Kathy Dague
Amy Darner
Dan Daubner
Cindy Daugherty
Dean Daugherty
Kim Davey
Chris Davis
Megan Davis
Tim Deeter
Rusty Delaney
Beth Denison
Lisa Depaulo
Greg Devore
Brad Dick
Dan Dick
Glenn Dolamore
Kelli Dougherty
Chris Downing
Colleen Doyle
Ron Dress
Monica Drotleff
Tim Ducar
Pat Dunbrack
Matt Durand
Becky Durocher
Heidi Dzur
Susan Edinger
Kelly Estock
Laurie Estvanko
Rick Evert
Stephanie Fannin
Shaun Farnsworth
Laurel Felice
Diana Fellhoelter
Kirstin Fennell
Kim Ferguson
Patty Ferguson
Amy Feucht

Maria Martin feels that you shouldn't stay out late on school nights because it could prove to be very painful. Here she is pinning a pattern for the third time. (F)

Sophomores Missy Filer and Todd Wyles are the King and Queen of Hearts in Taco Bell's February contest that raised $134 for the heart fund. They are shown here with Taco Bell manager Barbara Roudebush who presented each of them with an engraved clock. (D)



Bill Fieg
Missy Filer
Beth Finger
Keven Fish
Rusty Fischer
Whitney Florian
Dan Fogel

Jason Foose
Laura Foose
Jill Frantz
Jerry Franz
Mary Franz
Bret Frazier
Mark Freese

Phil French
Scott Fringer
Rodney Frysinger
Steve Fuller
Michelle Galbraith
Dee Galish
Tony Gareffa

Chris Gaume
Holly George
Melissa Gerberich
Frank Geric
Brenda Gern
Maria Gibel
Troy Giffin

Deric Godec
Eric Godec
Andre Goe
Mark Goulding
Tami Graham
Lauri Greer
Ben Greinke

Jeff Griffor
Alan Gunner
Mark Haney
Eric Hanson
Connie Harmon
Jill Harper
Fred Harrison

Dan Haumesser
Eric Hayden
Jason Heath
Beth Heisner
Kim Hendricks
Don Herrmann
Jill Hickey

Finishing up some worksheets is Cathy Czjaka. Cathy says she enjoys Home Ec I with Mrs. Obarski very much. (A)

Laura Werstak, a sophomore involved in cross country, track, and band pauses from writing to relieve her cramped neck. (F)

A unique Rachel Wallace, who at the age of four is a sophomore in high school, explains how in the story below on this page. (C)

While looking for a magazine to read, Randy Neal explained, "The library is a great place to get unusual sources for the countless papers we have to do." (F)

Mickey Thompson may have just found a paramecium — or is it an amoeba as she studies live protozoans in biology class. (A)

Leap Year Lady Celebrates 4th

Coming only once every four years, leap year is special to politicians running for president, ladies looking for husbands, calendar makers, and one special sophomore Rachel Wallace. Rachel, who was born on February 29, 1968, has had only four birthdays in sixteen years. Her birthday is so unique that she is the only person in the high school with that birth date. According to Rachel the only other person she has ever met who shared the same date was a boy she knew in kindergarten.

Rachel celebrates her birthday every year on either February 28 or March 1 much like anyone else, although this year her family bought a special ad in the *Gazette* to say happy birthday to her. Even though Rachel doesn't have an official birthday every year, she has never felt cheated by her leap year birth. "Some people think that having a birthday on a holiday is fun, but I think my birthday is neater because I only have it once every four years," she said.

Besides adding another day to the calendar, leap year is also famous for being a year when women may ask men to marry them. This tradition, based on an ancient Scottish law, makes it acceptable for men and women to reverse their roles. In February this meant that girls asked boys to the Sweetheart Dance.

Scott Hidden
Chris Hill
Alex Hiller
Kristin Hiller
Monette Hilty
Jennifer Hinkel
Karlene Hollowniczky
Todd Holt
Michelle Houser
Jon Huddilston
Matt Hulvey
Randy Hunter
Greg Hutson
Sharon Hynes
Carl Ingram
Bill Irvin
Brian Isaac
Sue Jaklitsch
Bonnie Jeffries
Tom Jennings
Robin Johannsen
Andrea Johnson
Carrie Jones
Dena Jones
Kristina Jones
Laval Jones
Lovell Jones
Becky Judkins

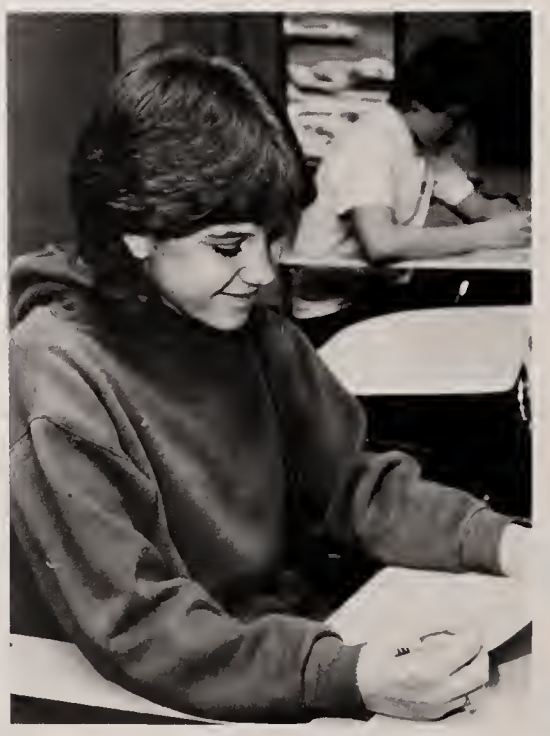
While learning to fix a broken head light was a practical experience for Lenny Mullen, his best times involved participating in sports. "Lettering in wrestling and football were the high points of my sophomore year," he said. (F)

Despite all the fun involved in Beeliners, sophomore Amy Schmith shows the more serious side to performing. (E)

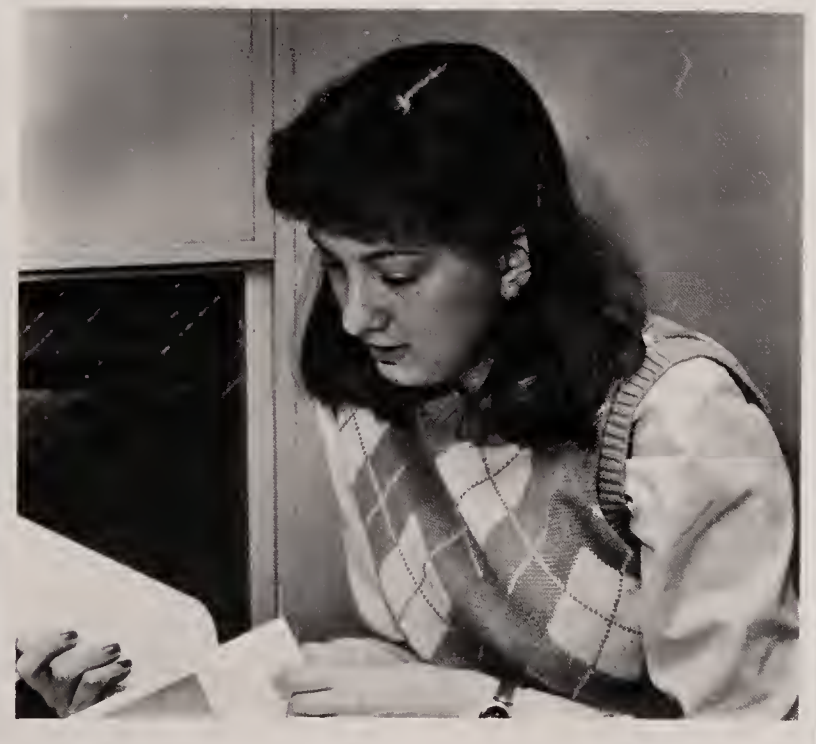
Tina Kafides
Jeff Kallet
Catie Kane
Stacy Kassebaum
Jim Kelland
Brian Keyler
Kevin Kelly
Lisa Kelly
Cathy Kemp
Cathy Kennedy
Justine Kennedy
Pam Kieffer
Beth Klein
Monica Klein
Jennifer Klingman
Chris Kobak
Susan Koppes
Cindy Kovach
Daneen Krajewski
Rod Kramer
Tami Kramer
Wendy Kreider
Mindi Kress
Dee Kruzyk
Mary Kurilich
Mark Laird
Tony Laurenz
Jen LeBlanc

Dawn Leeds
Lissa Lehman
Tom Lethco
Tim Lewarchick
Nathan Lewis
Jeff Liezert
Lila Lilly
Nathan Lilly
Carol Lloyd
Tim Ludwig
Annemarie Luppino
Lisa MacMillan
Mary Mahoney
Vlada Mardovin
Steve Markert
Wendy Markley
Troy Marshall
Maria Martin
Lanita May
Chuck McGehee
Mike McGinnis
Jenny McIntyre
Shelley McPherson
Kevin Medley
Paige Menze
Dana Miller
Eric Miller
Laura Miller
Tracy Miller
Tim Minton
Reggie Mitchell
Todd Morello
Mark Morgan
Angel Moyer
Heidi Muha
Lenny Mullen
Caroline Murphy
Ernie Murphy
Amy Musoph
Holly Nemetz
Kim Netherton
Rick Nicoloff
Sarah Norton
Craig Notarianni
Julie Oberholtzer
Brady Ostrander
Bob Ott
Jean Pacholski
Lance Paladino

Sophomore tennis player Kristina Jones discovers something amusing during her studies. (A)



Proving that studying isn't always as difficult as it seems, sophomores Amy Feucht and Kirsten Fennell seem to enjoy studying for an upcoming test. (A)



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Traci Peterson
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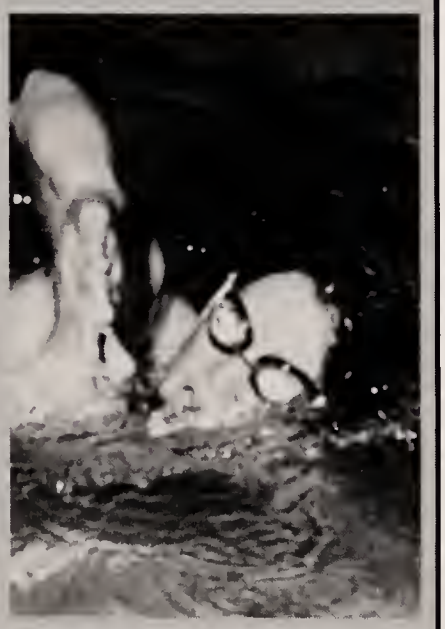
Frank Purgai
Jenny Redick
Scott Reker
Eric Ridgley
Sheila Rizer
Kelly Rohrbaugh
Heidi Roose
Derek Rose
Melissa Rowles
Dawn Sabo
Victor Sanchez
Karyn Sands
Stacy Sanford
Stephanie Sanford
Billy Sattler
Tammy Saylor
George Scheiman
Chris Scherer
Amy Schmith
Keri Schultz
Daniel Seamon
Paul Selmants
Diana Shaw
Scott Shaw
Frank Sklenar
Chris Smith
Sarah Smith
Jason Soditch
Eric Stanczak
Dean States
Jenny Steirer
Amy Stewart
Judy Stoll
Debbie Stover
Mike Stratman
James Sucky
Ken Swaddell

"I'd rather be playing tennis," said sophomore Dorothy Benner, "but instead I have to console myself with the dreaded task of studying for biology." (A)

Sophomores Not Pictured

James Bayne
Sheila Bayne
Mike Burns
Scott Churby
Wayne Fodor
Holly Gillmore
Brent Harnel
James Hough
Lyn Johnson
Cheryl Maslanka
Cheryl Moin
Mike Phillips
Marlena Queen
Kathy Quesada
Russ Roeper
David White



Above-sophomore Mark Haney grabs a breath of air as he does his ribbon-winning crawl stroke. (A)

Swimmers representing Medina include (at right) Dana Felice, Tracey Tumlin, Mark Haney and Tim Lewarchick. (A)

JVS Experience

Working in an Adult World

If you don't plan on college or would rather begin your career with on the job experience, then Medina County Joint Vocational School may be the place for you. The JVS offers a wide variety of fields, from cosmetology to carpentry.

After a general visit during the freshman year, interested sophomores return for a more extensive visit after which they decide whether they want to attend or continue at their home school. Many students consider the JVS because they like hands on experience. Jake Chidsey commented, "I like the idea of actually applying what I learn. The on the job experience is very beneficial."

Students who chose the JVS are required to successfully complete two units of English, one unit of math, one unit of social studies, a half unit of physical education and health and one unit of elective by the end of their junior year. A sample six hour day includes 90 minutes of Occupational Theory class, an academics class for 45 minutes, lunch, and 180 minutes each day of actual hands on job training.

What exactly does the JVS have to offer? As Diversified Health Occupations student Brenda Hosick said, "The JVS is important to my career. I would never have gotten as far as I am without it. The people there are great too; it's a close knit, adult atmosphere, and everyone treats you with a lot of respect."

JVS students (below) wait for their bus after school. They include Fred Hollopeter, Richie Estvanko, Don Bradley, and Dale Rynant. (B)

Swimmers Work Year Round

This year Medina was represented in the high school districts for swimming. Although the school does not officially sponsor a team, each year it sends some swimmers and this year they sent four talented people, Dana Felice, Tracey Tumlin, Mark Haney, and Tim Lewarchick.

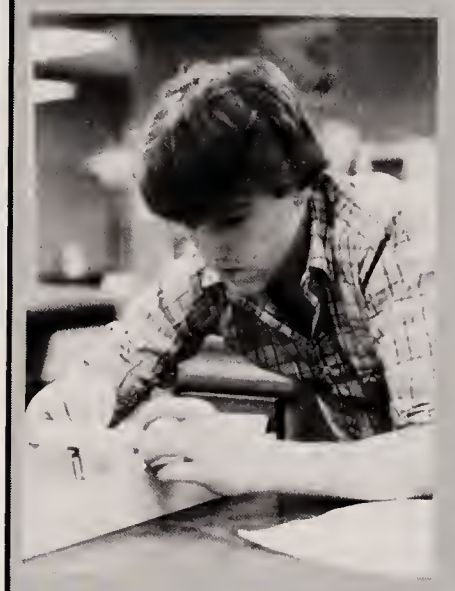
Swimming competitively is a year round matter. It takes extensive training during the season and off. During the spring, the swimmers can be found doing laps and running bleachers. During the winter they lift weights, and all year they can be found at the Y where they practice.

It takes a great deal of commitment to be a good swimmer and these four people have it. The swimmers were aided by coach Terry Patterson and adviser Anitra Lilly.

Brian Wallace gets his weak knees taped before wrestling practice. "Wrestling is a challenge," he said, "my goal is to go to state." (A)

Either day dreaming or intently watching the game, Michelle Anderson attends another basketball game. "I didn't miss one all season," she comments. (A)

Carl Clapper puts the library to good use as he looks up a question for a composition class. (F)



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Kevin Thorton

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Tracy Tober
David Tomblin
Jeff Toom
Robert Tretsch
Bill Troup
Hahn Tu

Kristy Tuma
Tracey Tumlin
Beth VanHoose
Pam Wagner
Brian Wallace
Rachel Wallace
Ken Walter

Mark Walton
Lisa Watkins
Connie Watson
Jeff Weaver
Krystina Webber
Laura Werstak
Kevin Whalen

Paul Whitmarsh
Mike Wilder
Carol Williams
Dale Willis
Nancy Willoughby
Scott Wingard
Amy Woebkenberg

Kim Wolfe
Todd Wyles
Heidi Yehnert
Cathy Young
Jim Zimmerman
Lisa Zinsky
Jeff Zoller

Off To A Good Start

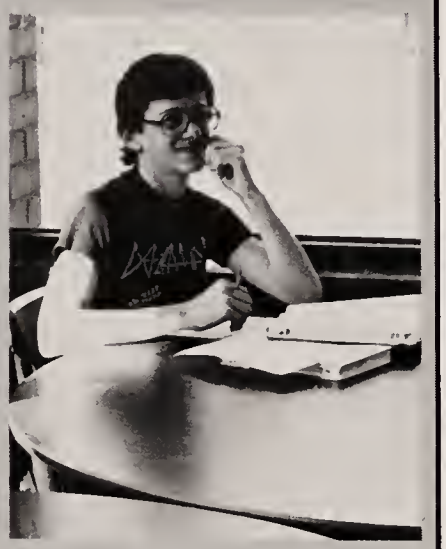
Freshman year is the year every student dreads going through yet awaits with anticipation. This is a year of new experiences and adjustments. New experiences begin with Freshman Orientation provided to make the first day a little less confusing and adjustments include getting used to the brutality of upperclassmen, stuck lockers, and getting lost.

Adjusting very well to the high school is the spirited class of 1987. The class can be described as outgoing, talented, and under excellent leadership. They have gotten their stuff together many times this year to win spirit contests and they raised the most money during the United Way contest during spirit week. They've also held numerous bake sales and planned a dance to raise money for a scholarship to be given in memory of classmate, Stan Jackson.

This class has managed and adjusted at M.H.S. as well as making a name for itself because of its qualities.

Leading the Freshman class are Michelle Swank, President, Melissa Schultz, Vice President; Beth Walth, Treasurer, and Jacquie Rog, Secretary. The Representatives for the class are Heather Daugherty, Brit Dietrichs, Joe Ebner, Erin Fauber, Michelle Kruggel, and Dawn Kumbier. (G)

Larry Winslow, who must spend a lot of time viewing the scenery, enjoys his window seat in study hall. Says Larry "It's the first time I did homework all year." (B)



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Marcie Akers
Stacey Albrecht
Kyra Anderson
Paul Argiry
Randy Bagley
Kim Baisch
Bridget Baka
Renee Barengo
Jenny Barnes
Phil Bayless
Kathy Beane
Stephanie Beard
Tony Beard
Connie Beebe
Robinette Bell
Robert Benson
Scott Benson
Tim Bilinovich
Doug Blinco
Cindie Bloomingdale
Chris Boehnen
Scott Bogar
Patty Bohanon
Cindy Boone
Lori Brenneman
Sue Brenneman
Eric Bretthauer
Duane Brown
James Brown
Rod Browning
Joanne Burg
Harold Burgdorfer
Kathy Burke
Michelle Callahan

Chris Dodge and Bill Doraty get involved in the action at Key Club's Buy A Buddy Assembly. They along with two others, bid and were sold Brian Smudz for $26.50. "It was fun to dress him up and make him carry books and do push ups," said Bill Doraty. (A)

Carrying on a conversation about aging with a friend in Mr. Rich Clevidence's room is Chris Wente. (F)

Reggie Campbell
John Cankar
Eddie Cappello
Mark Casto
Ken Catherwood
Bob Cavanaugh
Dianna Chalfant

Chris Chappell
Eddie Charnock
Cory Clifford
Sharon Cody
Chris Coleman
Kris Collins
Travis Colonius

Tony Cool
Susan Corey
Scott Cornell
Todd Costello
Robert Cowger
Jim Cowley
Mark Crooks

Pete Crooks
Brad Cutlip
Rebecca Dague
Robin Danielson
Heather Daugherty
Scott Davis
Stephanie Davis

Scott Deluca
Mark Denison
Michelle Deputy
Tom DeWeese
Bianca Dickson
Brenda DiClemente
Brit Dietrichs

Suzanna Dikic
Kevin Dodge
Bill Doraty
Kevin Dougherty
Jonathan Downing
Robert Doyle
Maryanne Ducar
Craig Dunkle
Laura Dunn
Laura Dutton
Mary Ebeling
Joe Ebner
Kathy Ejze
Rekida Estill
Lori Evans
Tonya Farmer
Rick Farren
Mike Faschian
Erin Fauber
Bethany Ford
Charlotte Franklin
Shannon Frazier
Kristen Fri
Vicky Friedline
Kevin Fringer
Kim Furry
Becky George
Stacey Giles
Vicky Gilles
Lee Gillette
Susan Gillis
Ron Glasenapp
Cory Glover
Paul Gordon
Steve Gordon
Mike Goyette
Jim Graber
Mike Grabowski
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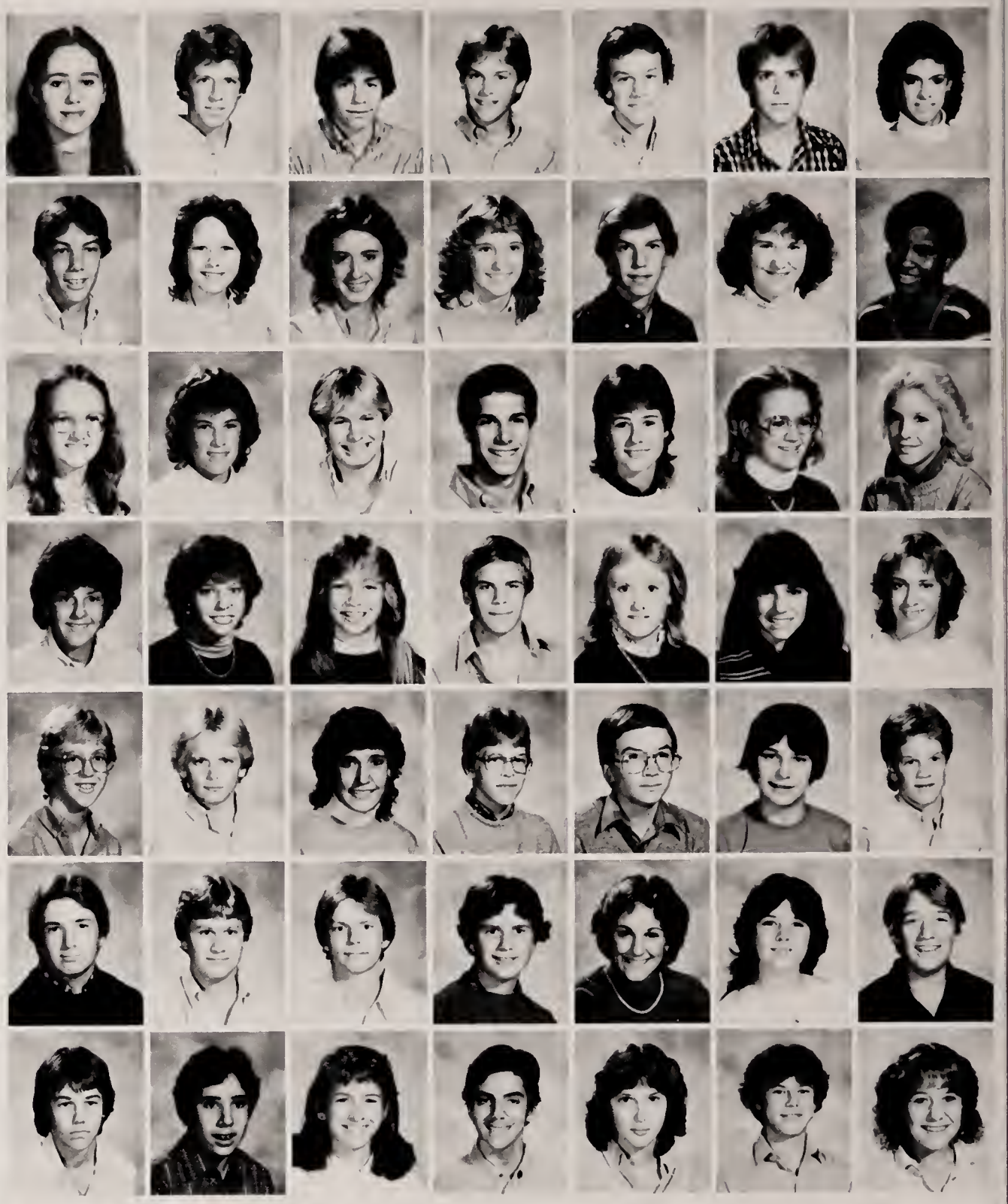
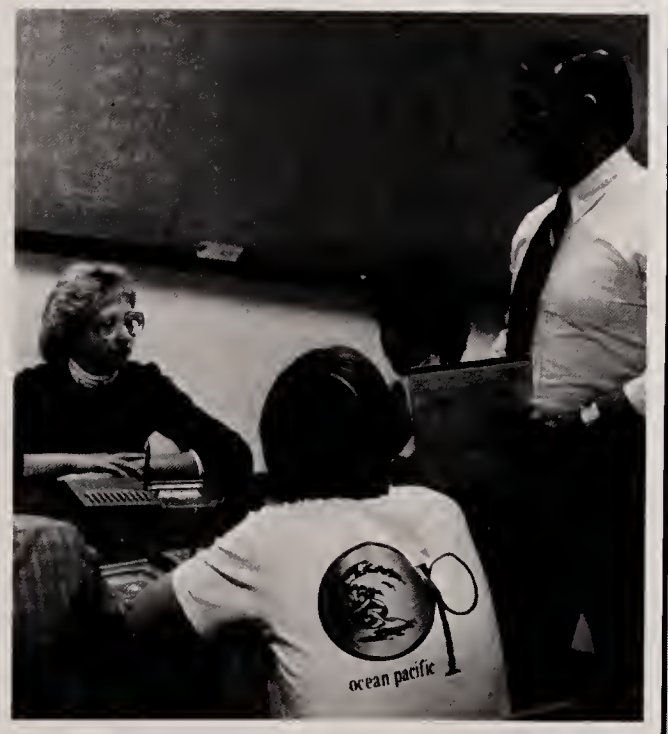


Trying to memorize a list of vocabulary words are John Horvorka and Dave Stahl. The vocabulary words are part of Reading Lab required of all freshman. (F)



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Brad Hamblen
Linda Hankins
Steve Hardesty
Robert Harney
Jim Harvey

Greg Haumesser
Angie Hawkins
Guy Hawkins
Suzanna Hawkins
Justine Hayden
Angie Header
Deanna Hefflin

Debbie Heinz
Kathy Henighan
Jill Herman
John Hewitt
Kelley Hinkle
Allen Hinojosa
Angela Hodges

Jeff Hogan
Kyle Hogrefe
Maria Hollopeter
Holly Hook
Allyse Hoover
Tom Hotes
John Hovorka

Tracie Hunt
Ben Hutson
Jim Hynes
Chuck Ingle
Stan Jackson
Don Jason
Ritu Jayaswal

Rob Jeffries
Jenny Johnson
Tom Jones
Laura Joo
Randy Justice
Stacey Kalister
James Kane

Ann Kaszian
Bob Kay
Stephanie Keegan
Tammy Keffer
Chris Kelley
Joe Kelly
Duane Kemp

Taking a moment for a quick squirt from the water bottle is freshman basketball player Kristin Fri. For more information about the girls' season, see the sports section, page 108. (B)

Guidance counselor Mr. Robert Gaume explains the procedure for the dreaded GATB test to Pam Sheets, Judy Shearer, and Dave Schmidt. The GATB tests are taken by each freshman and they measure skills required for certain jobs, therefore helping students plan careers. (C)

Call up, and just say hi . . .

Reach out and touch someone

Freshman Larry Tierney, sitting in reading class said, "The best thing about moving from junior high to high school is meeting new people." (F)

Do you ever feel the urge to reach for a telephone even when you know there is no one for you to call? If so, you may be among one of the thousands of teenagers across the nation who are chronic talkers.

Although there are some people who feel talking on the telephone is a great waste of time, others feel it is a vital part of every day life and this can create problems. Many parents have set up rules dealing with talking on the phone by giving their kids time limits and even taking away the phone as a punishment. Freshman Sheila Seiple said her phone calls are now limited to about ten minutes each.

Maybe parents don't realize the importance of talking with friends. Doesn't everyone need to discuss their latest love, what they plan on doing over the weekend, how much homework they have that they aren't working at since they're on the phone, and what everyone was doing that day? Yes, to some people that is very important.

However, some people don't believe in phone calls. Junior Wendy Neal describes time spent on the phone babbling as a waste, "If I need to talk to someone, I usually do it in person. If it is necessary to use the phone, I get right to the point and then get off. I find it pointless to spend an hour or two a night on the phone."

Pictured at right — Freshman Kyra Anderson.

Tricia Kieffer
Beth Kiley
Jennifer King
Michael Kitchen
Mike Koch
Chip Kolesar
Karl Korber
Vince Kozlowski
Andy Krejci
Michelle Kruggel
David Krutsch
John Kuhar
Dawn Kumbier
Matt Laird
David Layton
Marsha Lazear
Andy Leicher
Tim Lesiak
Jane Leu
Tom Lewarchick
Joanna Lewis
Tim Lewis
Kim Liddington
Garrick Lipscomb
Leon Lively
David Longacre
Colleen Lowry
Steve Lucht
Julie Luquire
Patty Lynch
Jennifer Lynham
Glynda Madden
Diane Madsen
Eric Malenock
Kathy Mandeville

Creative inspiration is not something you can plan. Said freshman Joe Nemeth, "I just started making something and it turned into a dinosaur." (A)

Guy Hawkins, a freshman in hot metals, said, "Being in a larger school is harder because there are so many more people." (F)

Bill Marchand
Dean Marco
Dan Mardovin
Richard Martin
Keith Marviscin
Kim Maupin
Dan McAlonan

Mike McBride
Margaret McChancey
Mike McCoy
Janette McCurley
Rance McIlvaine
Sharon McLaughlin
Doug McMarlin

Laura Melzer
Sandy Menze
Michelle Metzger
Shawn Mickle
Denise Miller
Lisa Moon
Mike Moran

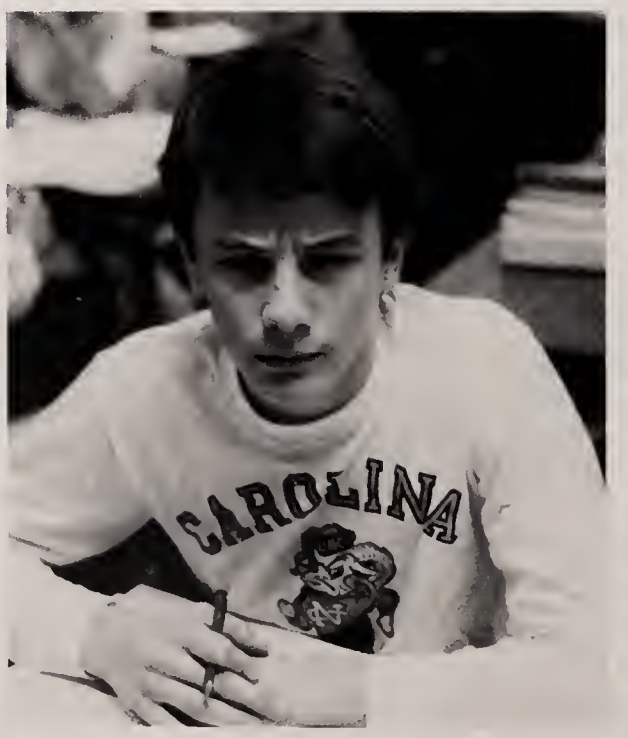
Darren Mudd
Megan Muffet
Christian Nageotte
Michael Neese
Brian Nelson
Joe Nemeth
Bob Netherton

Marc Newton
Kelli Nichols
Ed Nicholson
Steve Niswander
Cathy Novicky
Debbie O'Brien
Jeff Ocasek

April O'Connor
Jennifer Opdahl
Dennis Palmquist
Amy Parker
Joel Parks
James Pate
Deanna Patneau
Lynda Paxson
Wendy Payne
Robert Pearson
Colleen Perry
Jane Peterson
Steve Petrush
Valerie Phillip
Eric Phillips
Kathy Phillips
Kevin Phillips
Sharon Phillips
Debbie Piskach
Randy Pistor
Erik Plute
Jody Poorman
Greg Pope
Tammy Queen
Kris Rabung
Karen Ramey
Jen Ranaudo
Kathy Rau
Matt Reber
Jean Reep
Brian Reynolds
Chad Rhoades
Wendy Richards
Cathy Richling
Nancy Richmond
Lisa Richwine
Kristine Riddick
Terry Robertson
Jacquie Rog
Chris Rogers
Rob Roper
Tom Ruppelli
Andrew Rupprecht
Jason Rusu
David Rutter
Danielle Rutti
Bryan Ryks
Pepe Sanchez
Howard Sanford

Putting all of his concentration to use, Tom Ruppelli writes a composition in Reading class. (F)

Scott Cornell relaxes in commons and reads up on what he can and can't do at MHS as annually printed in the Student Curriculum Guide. (A)



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Jeff Smith
Melissa Smith
Nathan Smith
Sandy Smith
Sharon Smith
Jeff Smolko
Brian Smudz
Luba Soto
David Stahl
Laurie Stahl
Eugene Stansberry
Ruth Steidle
Ron Steiner
Dave Steirer
Jon Steward
Chris Stiffler
David Stillman
Kris Stockman
Judy Stoll
Ron Stout

Freshman Cathy Hanigan tries to listen to another of Mr. Zumkehr's lectures about word problems. (F)

Freshmen Not Pictured

John Alberts
Kevin Bensinger
Melissa Bigley
Cheryl Bower
Tammy Bradley
Steve Cepec
Chris Danes
Tom Decker
Steve Eckstine
Mark Girton
Kathleen Gregory
Doug Jones
Jeff Leckie
James Londrico
Rick Moats
Joe Moretto
Randy Neal
Brian Nenzoski
Tim Pearson
Dennis Richmond
Christine Wente
Scott Whitehouse
Gaye Woodrum
Michelle Zaremba

I'll have ten big macs . . . And a diet pepsi!

The word "diet" usually brings to mind teenage girls taking drastic measures in order to lose a few pounds. But this isn't always true. Some people change their eating habits so that they'll gain weight. Said one dieter, "I tried to gain weight because a friend of mine said I looked anorexic."

Girls aren't the only ones who diet. Many guys go on diets to improve their proficiency in athletics. One wrestler lost 25 pounds so that he could move to a lower weight class. Apparently this is common practice.

Through all the efforts, most find that sticking to a diet can be very difficult. Some weight-loss methods are: fasting, exercise, or just cutting down on food intake. Even if the dieter manages to keep to his/her diet plan, success is not always a result. "As soon as I went off my diet, I gained back all the weight that I lost," said sophomore Pam Kieffer.

What part do the school lunches play in the students' various diets? For those attempting to lose weight, it's not a big part, or rather no part at all. Lunches are very important to those trying to gain, the more calories, the better.

Although we may have visions of bodies like Christy Brinkley or Tom Selleck, severe diets can deprive our bodies of necessary nutrients. As Whitney Florian states, "Unless you really know what you're doing, diets can be harmful."

Kevin Dougherty enjoys Guidance, a class required for all freshmen. This class includes many guest speakers to better acquaint the students with tbe high school. (A)

Diane Stover
Tony Stowers
Laura Strasser
Stephani Street
Diane Stremple
Scott Stuart
Tim Stylinski
Rena Sutandar
Michelle Swank
Veronica Sweeney
Rob Swingle
Jodi Szabo
Nicole Taft
Tim Temesvary
Chris Templin
Teresa Terrell
Andrea Thornton
Larry Tierney
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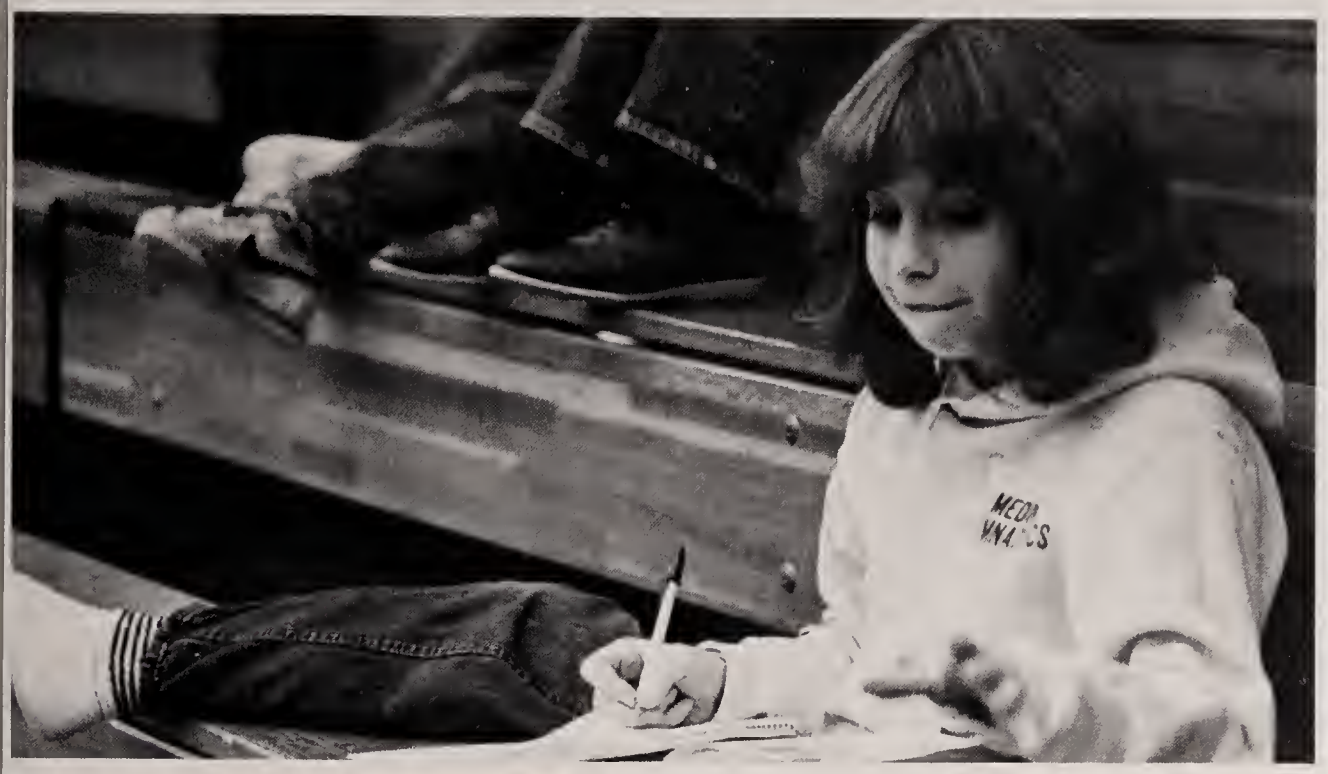


Freshman Jane Leu budgets her time by cramming for a test during a gymnastics meet. (A)

Sitting in Guidance study hall, Randy Justice relaxes as he enjoys the added freedom he finds in the high school. (A)

Chip Kolesar, Jeff Leckie, and Brian Isaac listen to Mr. Jim Wells explain the proper handling of the equipment. Jeff Leckie enjoyed his freshman year more than he thought. "I didn't get picked on as much as I expected," he said. Jeff was active this year in tennis, soccer, and ski club. (B)

"We get picked on too much," said Bryan Ryks as he checked over his Earth Science test before handing it in. He echoes the cries of all the freshmen "kiddies." (F)/;

Millie Vasiljevich
Keith Vaughn
Lisa Wallace
Don Walsh
Elizabeth Walth

Diana Watson
Bob Waybright
Cathy Welch
Candi Wellman
Carl Wellman
Brian Welton
Kristi Wessner

Curtis Wetzel
Lisa Weyer
Lynn White
Charly Whiteman
Audra Whitnable
Staci Wieder
Markelle Wilson

Steve Wincup
Larry Winslow
Tim Wise
Aida Wong
Pam Wyant
Rita Yanak
Scott Zimmerman

Medina Mardi Gras

When Springtime rolls around, most students are ready to hit the beaches instead of the books, and spring activities have a special excitement and anticipation of their own. The Mardi Gras, the musical, Project Involvement, Prom, Banquet, and the Senior Awards Assembly are all just steps to the final and best spring event — graduation.

The Mardi Gras is a perfect way to celebrate spring in both New Orleans and Medina. Miss Jeanne Pritchard, one of the organizers of the event, tried to involve as many groups as possible. GLC, the ***Medinamite,*** and ***Medinian,*** Student Council and AFS were some of the groups which participated. Every group set up an individual stand in the concourse and offered fund raising projects. Miss Pritchard felt the Mardi Gras "kept kids occupied and raised the spirit level."

The most popular event was the pie throwing contest featuring teachers as the victims. According to Junior Kelli Morrison, "Teachers are starting to get on your case around this time of the year. It was the perfect opportunity to get them back."

Most students believed the Mardi Gras broke up the monotony between seasons and were glad to help organizations. Hopefully the Mardi Gras will become an annual tradition as it is in New Orleans.

AFS members Diana Fellhoelter and Valerie Phillips prepare the club's booth for Mardi Gras festivities. (L)

"It was a time for celebration because we knew the end was in sight."

Chris Croucher
Mike Swingle

Spring Celebrations

Mardi Gras is anexciting, colorful celebration held on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Lent begins. The date of Mardi Gras, therefore, depends on the date of Easter. It is celebrated in many Roman Catholic countries and other communities. Not only is the event popular in New Orleans, but it is also widely celebrated in parts of Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida. Mardi Gras is a French term meaning Fat Tuesday which arose from the custom of parading a fat ox through the streets in Paris on Shrove Tuesday.

French colonists introduced the Mardi Gras into America in 1776. It attracts tourists from everywhere and the parades begin the week before Mardi Gras.

Just as Christmas or any legal holiday is important to us, the Mardi Gras signifies and equally important celebration to those who experience it. Country cuisine such as fresh crawfish, buttermilk biscuits and black-eyed peas in an outdoor cafe with echoing jazz music is half of the Mardi Gras itself.

Andrea Thornton, Brenda DiClemente, and Chris Templin, right, raise money for a lucky student in the class of '87. The fund is in memorium to classmate, Stanley Jackson, who died February 8, 1984. (L)

When asked to work with pies, math teacher Mrs. Cindi Wismar, near right, was under the impression that they meant circles and 3.14. Other teachers who participated were Miss Linda Ocepek (pictured), Ms. Jan Harris, Mrs. Karen Schmidt and Mr. Jim Valentine. (L)

Cheryl Graham, manning the AFS booth at Mardi Gras, picks up the prizes and wishes she could win the raffle so she could keep the stuffed bunnies. (A)

Taking a break for lunch, senior Mary Linda Cragar offers to work at the GLC booth, guarding the M & M's, although she would much rather be eating them. The grand total was 707 M&M's. Juniors Crystal Williams and Julie Schaffer also spent time at the booth. (A)

Sophomore class reps, Katie Cavanagh and Amy Arehart sell suckers to raise money for the sophomore class. Said Katie, "The suckers were 10¢ a piece and if you picked one with a black dot, you won a tootsie pop! It was something easy to do, so many people bought them." (A)

Cinderella

Fairy Tale Brings Laughs

Laughter of children and adults alike was heard throughout Rodgers and Hammerstein's ***Cinderella.*** Chosen for its great range in audience, it affected not only the youngsters, but the adults as well. A fairy tale allowed people to forget the problems of the real world for awhile and escape to a mystical kingdom.

The entire cast enjoyed preparing and presenting ***Cinderella*** for it was not only a musical, but also a comedy. Senior Rod Wingfield, who played the King, said, "It was fun to present this type of musical comedy. You didn't have to worry about screwing up for your flops only made the musical more enjoyable."

For a few, ***Cinderella*** was a dream come true. Senior Elizabeth Cypher, who portrayed the title character, felt this to be particilarly true. "Just as Cinderella was fitted with a glass slipper making her dreams come true, Mr. Skorepa fitted me with the part of Cinderella, and my dream became a reality.

Prince Charming (Steve Conder) is shocked to find himself in love. Steve found his first acting role difficult but rewarding. (A)

"When I made a mistake, everyone would laugh, but not at me, rather with me. That had to be the greatest part of it all."

Dawn Zurell (Fairy Godmother)

Throughout, the action of the stepsisters and the stepmother continually amused the audience. Joy, played by junior Donna Payne, was a slob while Portia, portrayed by sophomore Julie Oberholtzer, was dimwitted. Stepmother Caroline DeWalt especially enjoyed her part. "I was allowed to do some scene stealing which I love," she commented.

All the time and effort put into the musical was worthwhile when the cast heard the approving laughter. Donna Payne summed this feeling up by saying, "To hear the children laughing gave me the greatest feeling of accomplishment."

Delight

Seniors Rog Wingfield (king) and Margie Kobak (queen) strike a royal pose at the conclusion of their song. (A)

Herald Karl Fennell and trumpeteers Mike McGinnis and Doug McMarlin declare the royal proclamation that "the prince is giving a ball." (A)

Specialty dancers Kurt Gibson and Barb Seiple concentrate upon their next steps. Many hours of hard work were put into perfecting the intricate dances under the direction of Mrs. Kim Dobies. (A)

Commedia troup member Bruce Whitmarsh (above) and townsperson Heidi Dzur perform a waltz. Bruce was responsible for the set design for this musical, along with director Mr. Carl Skorepa. (A)

(Upper left) Stepsisters Joy (Donna Payne) and Portia (Julie Oberholtzer) and Stepmother (Caroline DeWalt) drool over the memory of the prince. (A)

Cinderella (Elizabeth Cypher) and her Fairy Godmother (Dawn Zurell) sing about impossible thoughts while footmen Scott Shaw and Brian Kiley stand stoically behind as the horses prance off. (A)

Evil Stepsisters Joy (Donna Payne) and Portia (Julie Oberholtzer) "turn to gravy" as Cinderella (Liz Cypher) describes the Prince's great physical attributes. Throughout this scene, many props were an important part of the action. ***Props crew head Michelle Templin*** and her crew of Caroline Towner, Wendy Imig, and Chris Templin were responsible for gathering all props and then making sure they were in the right place at the right time. According to Michelle the hardest prop to find was the glass slippers. "We finally had to rent them," she said. A Thespian, Michelle worked on props crew for four years and remembers the musical ***Anything Goes*** in her sophomore year as the one that was the most fun.

Stage Manager Tina Olson reads over her script for final notes in preparation for opening night. A four year member of Drama Club, Tina has contributed many hours of hard work as a props crew head, student director, and stage manager for five productions. According to Tina, ***Cinderella*** "was the most hectic musical I ever worked on because there were three curtains to watch and sets to move." (A)

Senior Leigh Ann Lethco, 17, was miraculously transformed into an 80 year old woman by the artistic talent of choreographer and make-up specialist Mrs. Kim Dobies. (E)

An ordinary broom is transformed into a magical wand by the technical talents of director Carl Skorepa who wired a set of lights and a switch into the broom to create a magical illusion. Fairy Godmother (Dawn Zurell) summoned three mice by a wave of her magical wand to change Cinderella into a beautiful princess. While some speciality costumes like the mice and horses were rented, most of the show's costumes were created by costume designer and mistress Lori Cotman and her crew. (A)

Technical Tricks

Tumbling, stumbling, and falling across the stage to the commands of leader Michelle Lewis, the Commedia Troup added a new twist of laughter to the between the scenes action at the musical.

Director Carl Skorepa worked their performance into the musical to help smooth out scene changes. They were a combination of creativity on Skorepa's part, and knowledge he gained from a European Theatre History class. Traveling troups that are actually the forerunners to clowns traveled around France in the 17th century. They provided entertainment between the scenes of plays. The addition was historically correct, fitting into the period of the musical and also very enjoyable for both troup members and audience.

"I got a lot of positive feedback about them. The audience found their antics enjoyable during the scene changes," said Skorepa.

The troup consisted of Michelle Lewis, and (inset photo) Kyle Hogrefe, Jonathan Downing, Scott Elligott, Bruce Whitmarsh, and John Bailey. Jonathan Downing commented, "It was great that we could mess up whenever we wanted and it still was funny. That's beneficial when you trip over your feet as much as I do."

Transformation

During intermission, director Carl Skorepa gives the Herald (Karl Fennell) helpful hints for the second act. On the nights of performances, Mr. Skorepa had three golden rules for the actors: (1) Wait for the audience to laugh; (2) Don't try to improve the show with new and different material that might not work; and (3) Have a lot of fun. (E)

Magic

So You Want To Work For The Gov't?

In 1973 Medina was the second school in the state to begin a Project Involvement Program. Findley started the trend and now other school systems are catching on. The program familiarizes students with city and county government and enables officials to receive student input. After the first year, the program was terminated — not because it wasn't successful, but because of a lack of interest at City Hall.

Almost ten years later, many felt the program should be reinstated. Mr. Jim Valentine, Civics teacher, submitted a letter to Mayor Bill Lamb who was a teacher himself before taking office. The employees at City Hall agreed on trying the program again and thought it would be worthwhile. Eighty six seniors applied to fill thirty positions which varied from the mayor's job to the Life Support Team.

A Committee consisting of Mr. Jim Davis and Valentine, both Civics teachers, Mr. Al Cooksey, history teacher, Mr. Robert Dague, assistant principal, Mr. Stan O'Connor, senior counselor, Mr. Rick Grice, Planning Director and two senior class members chose the participants. Since only thirty positions could be filled, the remainder of the applicants signed up for a ride along program with the police.

"Everyone I've talked to has been very positive, learned a lot and wished they could have stayed longer," stated Mr. Valentine. Those who participated felt lucky to be given such a chance. Many had misconceptions about how the government is actually run and what the job actually required. Karl Fennell, who was in the ride along program, said, "In school you can sometimes feel isolated from the real world, but here I feel involved." Project Involvement will be continued next year and Dr. Robert Fenn, superintendent of schools, hopes to include school administrators.

Above — Eugene Ware, who held a job in the sanitation Department for Project Involvement, takes a break. *Below — Taking the job* of secretary for the building department, Trisha Valentine said she really enjoyed the job and met some great people. (B)

Project Involvement

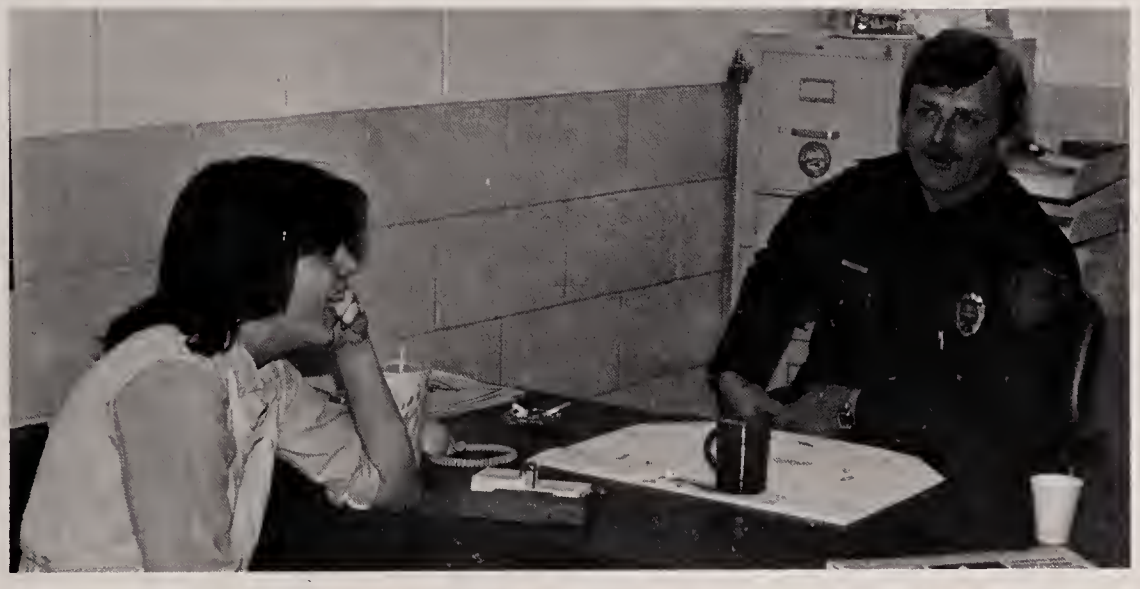
"Being a detective is the total opposite from the TV portrayal because it's 95% paper work, not 100% car chasing and shoot outs."
Gretchen Fri

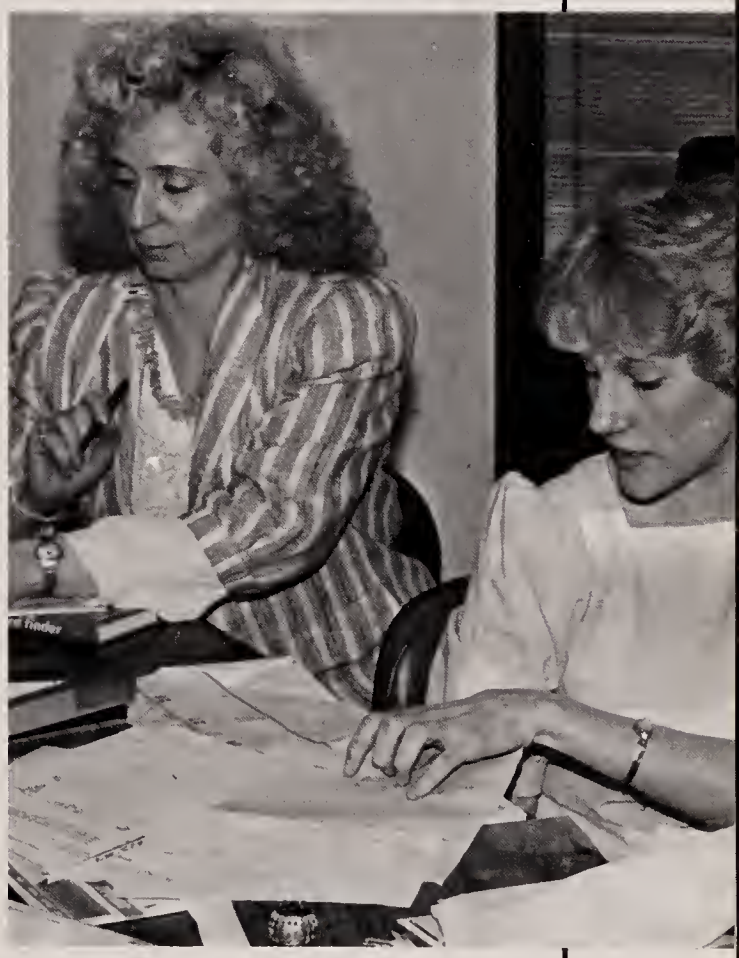
Kristen Blair and Mary Beth Daubner took over Wayne Hamilton's job as Finance Director and has a satisfying day after investing a mere $100,000. (B)

NOW

According to Detective Lieutenant David Shows of the Medina Police, senior Gail Riddleburgh is holding "enough marijuana to put you through four years of college." Gail checked out confiscated goods as part of her work with the police department.

Diane Hill, taking the place of Civil Service Secretary, makes a copy of the Civil Service test for repairmen.





Laura Lewarchick finds that the position of secretary to the Recreation Director is not all fun and games. All calls entering City Hall are answered in this office and then forwarded.

Meter maid for a day Luan Lind spends some time talking to patrolman Craig Backus.

"There are a lot of problems that the mayor has to take care of that people don't realize," said Julie Kohanski as she took on the challenge of being the Mayor of Medina for a day. The real mayor, Mr. Bill Lamb, guided her through the day.

A 'Heavenly' Time

Tradition was broken this spring at banquet when seniors were asked to pay for their meal for the first time ever. The change came about because the junior class prom and banquet committee decided to have the meal catered by an outside company rather than prepared by our own cafeteria food service. Seniors paid $3 and juniors $5 for a buffet, all-you-can-eat meal which included baked chicken, rigatoni, roast beef, a variety of salads, and flaming cherries jubilee for dessert.

Reactions to the change varied. Tina Olson said, "The food was great. To have a choice of three entrees was fantastic." Jim Cleary agreed but added, "The food was worth the money, but it wasn't good enough to go back for more." Paying for the meal didn't really bother people. "Even though you had to pay for it, it was worth it," said Shelle Pull, "it was very well organized and the food was great." Karl Fennell commented, "The food was excellent. I got my money's worth. I chowed."

Others liked more than just the food. Rob Law said, "The water in the flower vases wasn't bad. The food was good too." Atmosphere was also important. "The best thing was when they turned off all the lights in the cafeteria and lit up the cherries jubilee," said Sue Gifford.

Above — Waiting for banquet to begin, early arrivals Cindy Gum, Deniece Case, and Kendra Harrell enjoyed a glass of punch. *Below* — Junior Maribeth Duta joins seniors Debbie Thorton and Doug Cochran.

SENIOR AWARDS: Personality — Andrea Gasser, Jim Smolko; Most Spirited — John Meier, Zivana Jovanovic; Biggest Flirts — Betsy Selmants, Rick Ducar; Most Talented — Liz Cypher, Rod Wingfield, Best Dressed — Liz Cypher, Dave Colonna; Most Likely to succeed — Jim Shields, Jennifer Chidsey; Biggest Comedian — Rod Wingfield, Caty DeWalt; Most Talkative — John Bailey, Tracey Egan; Best Athlete — Colin Grimm, Kristi Weygandt; Best Looking — Chris Croucher, Julie Kohanski

The cafeteria was decorated the theme "Heaven." While students ate, a harpist played background music. Lee Edwards felt that "it was too bad that the harp player didn't get more attention." While others like Jean McDade complained that they couldn't even hear the harpist. According to Mark Wilson, "The harp player was good, but not right for our age. It went with the theme, but was kind of a waste. I thought it went with the dinner though."

After dinner entertainment was held in the auditorium with juniors Steve Conder and Donna Payne acting as emcees. Skits included "Name That Senior" where juniors imitated seniors Rick Ducar, Jennifer Chidsey, John Meier, and Dave Colonna. Mr. Mark Osterland and Mr. Denni Interliggi provided a Year End Update with slides and comments about some news worthy seniors.

After the slide show, seniors awards were presented using the game show "Family Feud" as a format. The show, unfortunately, ended too soon because of a mix-up and senior slides were not shown. The slides were given to senior class president Jim Shields to be shown at future reunions of the Class of '84.

Just about everyone liked the entertainment. Rick Ducar said, "The best part was when I pumped out 10 and the worst was when Wilson didn't get biggest flirt." Renee Brausch liked "the music at the beginning as everyone was walking into the auditorium." Even though she enjoyed the entertainment, Katie Richardson wondered "why they didn't even have anything about "Heaven" which was supposed to be the theme," and Rusty Stratman was disappointed that nobody sang the theme song.

No matter what everyone thought about decorations, food, or entertainment, for most people like senior Tracey Egan "the best part of banquet was being with my friends."

Prom and banquet chairperson Zan Dudick joined adviser Linda Ocepek for a pre-banquet photo. Zan said about preparations, "A lot of class cooperation and creativity was shown. The success of the banquet was clearly apparent through the compliments of faculty and students." (E)

Lynn Piskach, Shawna Norris, and Shelly Sabo share a few laughs before banquet starts. (E)

Kris Rynearson, Amy Schultz, Kris Leister, and Cathi Hotes sample the catered food at banquet which included roast beef, chicken, rigatoni, salads, vegetables, and flaming cherries jubilee for dessert. (E)

Middle left — Tim States, Sonia Nalepa, Michelle Templin, Barb Seiple, Caroline Towner, Ellen LuQuire, and Kurt Gibson pause inside the entrance to banquet. According to Barb Seiple, "the worst thing about banquet was that it wasn't sentimental. The best part of prom was that the band did great imitations of various radio stations." (E)

Sophomore servers Jeff Kallet and Craig Notarianni handled punch duty before the banquet began. (E)

Joe Kirkham, Dave Wagner, Rick Sitz, and Eric Shellito enjoyed themselves at banquet. Rick said, "The food was good and banquet was fun, but the rest of the weekend was a let down." (E)

The Kids All Behaved But . . .

After a busy year of planning and preparation, everyone was expecting the junior senior prom to be a time in "Heaven." On the evening of May 19 the community center was beautifully decorated; the couples were dressed up and everyone was ready to dance the night away. There was a problem though, because you need music to dance and no one knew where the band was.

Due to what they called a mix up in their schedule, the band Wild Horses never showed up for the dance. Although a contract had been signed months before, it seemed the couples had to travel to a rollerskating rink outside of Cleveland to hear them play. Senior Bruce Whitmarsh didn't feel like driving and he plainly stated, "Sue the band. They had a contract and they broke it. Sue them."

Michelle Smalling felt that "prom was fun, but it was too bad the band never showed up." Betsy Selmants said that with no band, "it made the community center feel like a warehouse." Different ways of handling the situation were discussed and Michelle Harper thought, "the band should have had a special concert just for juniors and seniors for letting us down."

Many people made the best of the situation and were able to dance thanks to a box of cassette tapes that Pat Griffor had in his car and agreed to loan to the cause. In spite of everything Andrea Gasser said she "had a fantastic time" and Leigh-Ann Lethco felt that "making your own fun at prom was the best." Even with the mix-up John Bailey thought, "The prom was very well done. The decorations were excellent, and we had a good time despite the fact the band was not there."

"After working so hard to put on a nice prom for the seniors, it was disappointing that the band had to ruin it," said Junior Jill Kumbier as she helped decorate the community center on Saturday morning. (E)

Wild Horses Ran Free

"Prom was bad because it rained, there was no band, and my date talked funny and drove me spaz."
Steve Bock

The normal traditions were still carried on as Matt Griffor and Joanne Jeffries were crowned King and Queen. Scott McGurk and Brenda Gerencher were the attendants and the two couples even shared a spotlight dance to the prom theme "Heaven" which fortunately had been taped by the prom committee the week before.

Everyone joined in on the garter dance which was junior Kurt Gibson's favorite part of the prom. He enjoyed the dance because he "loved the prize."

Even with the problem of no band John Cavanagh said, "The best part was the people I was with." John Meier agreed saying that "good food, good friends, and good times were the best parts of prom."

Senior Susan Frantz seemed to have captured the feeling of most people when she said that, "it was a terrible mix up over the band and it spoiled things a bit, but I know everyone still had a good time."

PROM

Taking a break from serving punch and cookies at prom, freshmen Brit Dietrichs and Janiene Tischke relax while helping the couples sign the guest book as they arrive.

"Having Matt as my king was the neatest thing about prom," said Queen Joanne Jeffries. She and King Matt Griffor dance to "Heaven." (G)

"Although the decorations were good, it was too bad there was no band," stated senior Chris Brown. He and his date Beth Denison sit and watch the other couples dance. (G)

Deciding to take a break, juniors Eric Shellito and Michelle Jackson watch all of the activities. (A)

This year's prom attendants to the King and Queen were Brenda Gerencher and Scott McGurk. It seemed they were carrying on a family tradition as two years before Brenda's sister was an attendant. (G)

Despite the fact there was no band, there was still music thanks to junior Pat Griffor who had a box of tapes in his car. Here couples enjoy a slow song together. (G)

Top Seniors Are Honored

A traditional highlight to the end of the year for seniors, as well as the rest of the student body, is the senior awards assembly. This year was definitely no exception as over twenty different seniors were honored with various awards and scholarships. Mr. Rios even made the spotlight as students took this time to honor him on the occasion of his retirement.

Receiving the top senior awards of Manhood and Womanhood were John Meier and Jennifer Chidsey. Jennifer was also recognized as Valedictorian and Sidney M. Fenn Scholar Athlete. Jennifer and John shared the honor of being U.S. Army Reserves National Scholar Athletes.

For all of the time and work given to their school and community, Jim Smolko and Zivana Jovanovic were chosen to receive the Senior Service Award. Jim and Zivana have been very involved in Student Council and other service organizations throughout high school.

Strong performances athletically paid off for Kristi Weygandt and Eugene Ware who were chosen Ray E. Mellert Senior Athletes of the Year. Kristi played volleyball, basketball, and ran track in which she qualified for state this year in the long jump. Eugene is active in football and track, and will attend Bowling Green State University to play football next year.

In departmental awards, Leigh-Ann Lethco swept the music category receiving the Senior Music Award, and Kanehl Music Scholarship and the Semper Fidelis Award. Matt Kinnard received the Art Award and for outstanding performances both behind and in front of the curtain Tina Olson, Elizabeth Cypher and Rod Wingfield received Drama Awards.

John Meier and Jennifer Chidsey received the top award given at Medina for Manhood and Womanhood.

New to the awards assembly this year were the Presidential Academic Fitness Awards. These were awarded based on GPA, test scores, and credits in the major subject areas. These awards were received by Carolyn Cody, Joe Obermeier, Caroline DeWalt, Jackie Labbe, Scott Krutsch, John Meier, Jennifer Chidsey, Mary Linda Cragar, Kevin West, Elizabeth Cypher, David Bachtell, Beth Chaney, and Melissa Liu. Melissa was also recognized as Salutatorian.

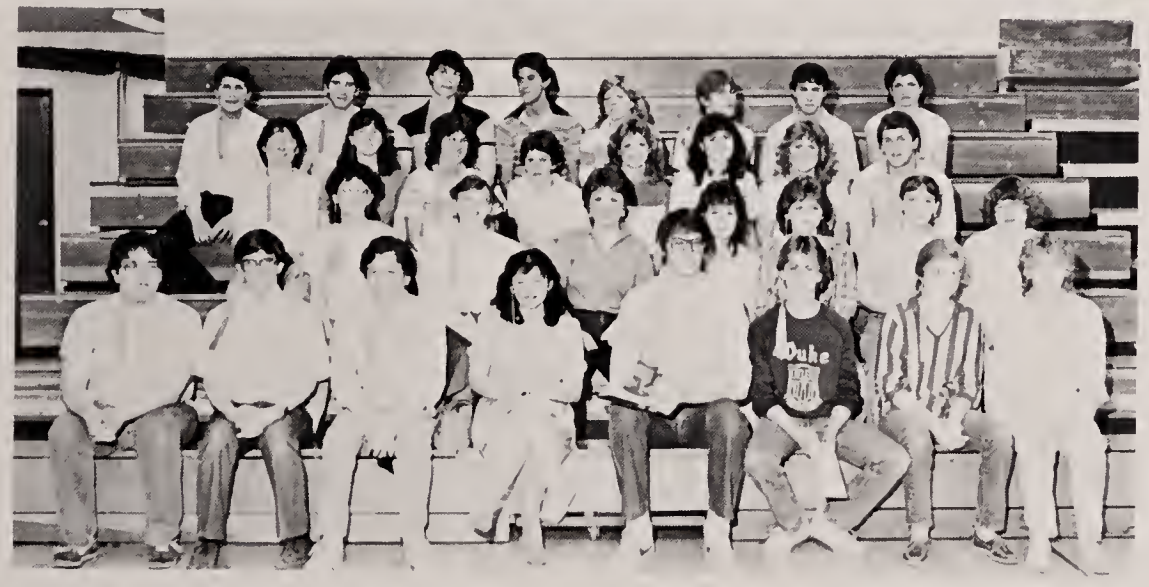
Other students were rewarded for their hard work with various scholarships. Some highlights were the Ken Dukes Scholarship received by Ken Koppes and the Collins Scholarships, Dollars For Scholars Grants, and the newly named Rios Student Leader Scholarship (formerly Student Council Scholarship) received by Matt Eaken, Leigh-Ann Lethco, Zivana Jovanovic, John Meier, and Jennifer Chidsey.

Scholarship Recipients Row 1: D. Scheiman, S. Krutsch, A. Phillips, C. Graham, M. Liu, J. Meier, M. Chesney, K. West, R. Corey; *Row 2:* J. Labbe, B. Chaney, Z. Jovanovic, D. Johnston, M. Eaken, S. Elligott, M. Kobak; *Row 3:* S. Cunningham, L. Lethco, C. Cody, C. Davis, J. Jeffries, C. Niese, J. Chidsey, M. Cragar, E. Cypher, K. Fennell, M. Kinnard; *Row 4:* D. Bachtell, K. Koppes, M. Griffor, C. Keehn, J. Obermeier, E. Whitnable, E. Ware. (A)

On June 4 Jennifer Chidsey, a Gazette Student of the Month, was named the Medina County Student of the Year. Other Medina Students of the Month included Jim Shields (pictured below), Leigh-Ann Lethco, John Meier, Rod Wingfield, Jackie Labbe, Karl Fannell, Carolyn Cody, Christy Davis, Eric Whitnable, Mary Linda Cragar, Corey Keehn, Liz Cypher, Ron Smudz, Margie Kobak, and Ron Sency. (A)

Prior to the start of the awards assembly seniors Barb Seiple, Joanne Jeffries, Krista Sautter, and Wendy Imig found it a good time to pal around with friends and enjoy their last hours of high school. (A)

Jim Smolko and Zivana Jovanovic received Service Awards for their work, often behind the scenes, for their class, the community, and various school organizations. (A)



Performances in volleyball, basketball, and track attained the Ray E. Mellert Athlete of the Year Award for Kristi Weygendt. (A)

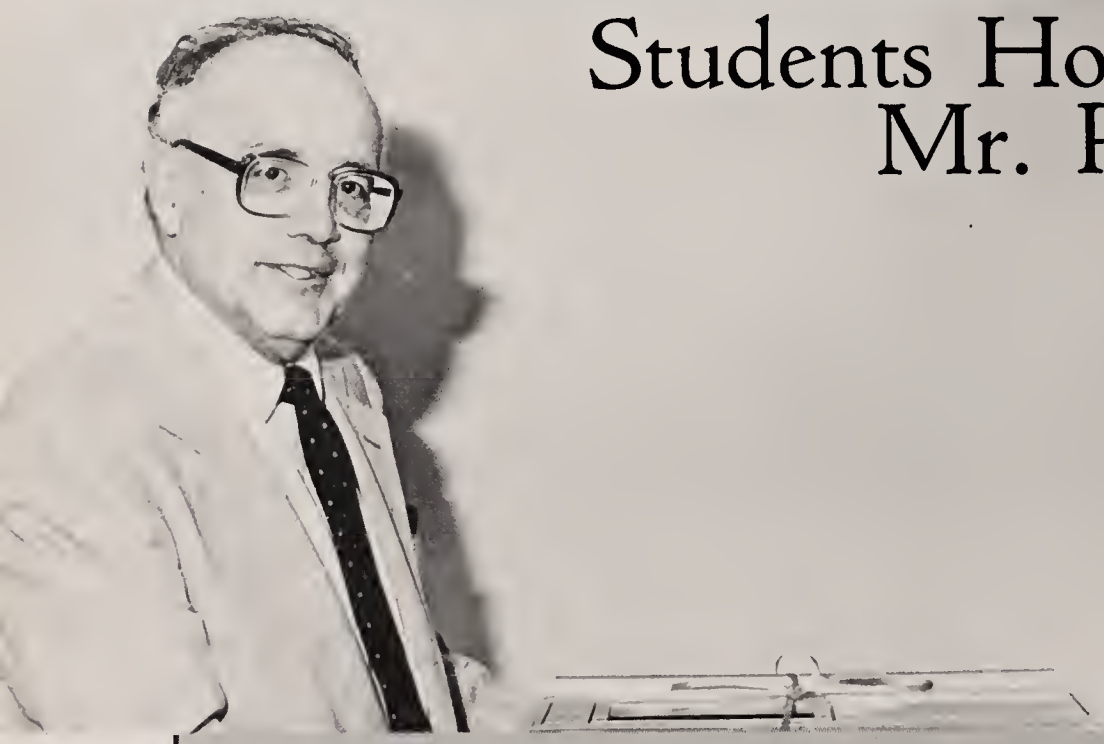
Gold Tassels (top 10%): Row 1: S. Krutsch, A. Phillips, J. Crooks, M. Liu, J. Meier, M. Chesney, C. DeWalt, D. Miller; *Row 2:* J. Labbe, B. Chaney, Z. Jovanovic, D. Johnston, C. Gum, M. Kobak, A. Gasser; *Row 3:* L. Lethco, C. Cody, C. Davis, C. Niese, J. Chidsey, M. Cragar, E. Cypher, K. Fennell; *Row 4:* D. Bachtell, K. Koppes, M. Griffor, C. Keehn, M. Miller, J. Obermeier, J. Cleary, K. Fedro. (Absent from picture: Jim Shields) (A)

Tina Olson receives congratulations and a Drama Award from Director Carl Skorepa. (A)

For his achievements in Art, Matt Kinnard was awarded the Outstanding Art Student of the Year award by Department Chairperson Ray Libengood. (A)

A "completely astonished" Mr. Augie Rios commented about his present. "I had no idea money was being collected. Every time I play it, I'll think of the students and faculty of MHS." (A)

Students Honor Mr. Rios



Seventeen year principal of MHS, Augie Rios announced his retirement this year. Mr. Rios was honored numerous times after the announcement. An open house was sponsored by Student Council to give friends, former students and community members a chance to say their farewells. There Mr. Rios was presented with an engraved clock from the Booster's Club and a portrait of himself from Student Council. At the awards assembly (left and above) Mr. Rios was presented with a VCR and a standing ovation from the student body. The VCR was purchased with donations collected from the students.

Academies' Choice

It is a rare occasion that one student from a high school will attend a military academy, but this year four outstanding seniors made Medina proud. Hard work paid off for SCOTT ELLIGOTT, ERIC WHITNABLE, COREY KEEHN, and KARL FENNELL (pictured right). (A)

These four were honored by being chosen to attend three of the U.S. Military Academies: Scott and Karl to the US Air Force Academy, Eric to the US Military Academy at West Point, and Corey to the US Naval Academy.

To attain this elite honor these students had to be very active in school and school related activities. Stan O'Connor, senior class counselor, commented, "the chances of getting accepted to one of these institutions is 1 out of 12."

Award Winning Seniors

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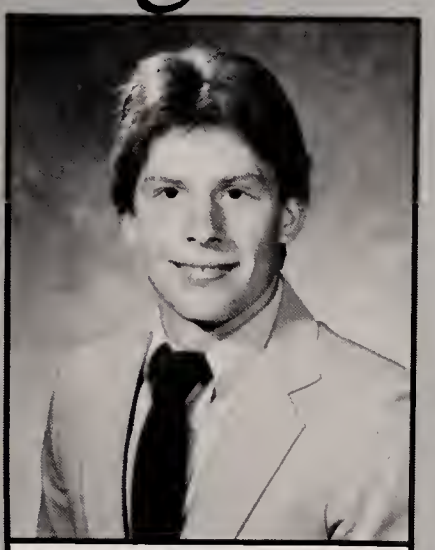
Jennifer Chidsey
Valedictorian, Womanhood
Sidney Fenn Scholar-Athlete



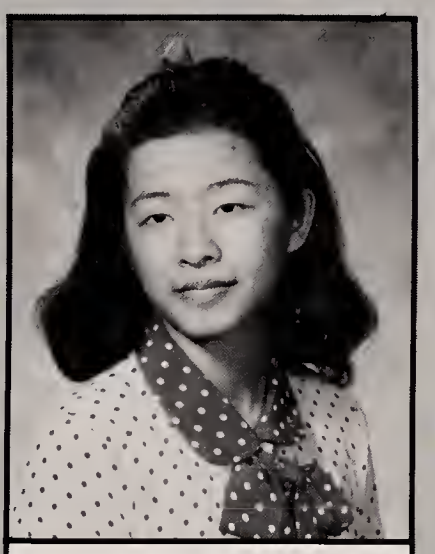
Jim Smolko
Service Award

Zivana Jovanovic
Service Award

Elizabeth Cypher
Drama Award

Matt Kinnard
Art Award

Leigh-Ann Lethco
Semper Fidelis Award
Senior Music Award

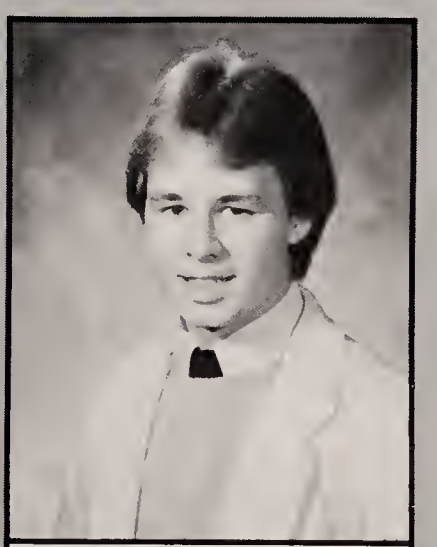


Melissa Liu
Salutatorian

Tina Olson
Drama Award

Eugene Ware
Ray E. Mellert Senior
Athlete of the Year

Kristi Weygandt
Ray E. Mellert Senior
Athlete of the Year



Rod Wingfield
Drama Award

Graduation '84

Commencement: A New Beginning

Commencement only lasted an hour, but it marked a milestone for the 330 members of the Class of '84. Led by juniors Lisa Argiry and Ron Smudz (number one and two in the Class of '85), the class marched into the gym while the Symphonic Band played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance." After an invocation by senior John Meier, the Concert Choir sang "Silver Wings." The gym was decorated with shrubs and flowers donated by The Village Gardener, Medina Florist and Greenhouse and Richardson Farms.

The gym was filled to capacity with family, friends, and faculty. On the main platform special guests included Board president Edward Kemp who would present the diplomas, and Board members Pamela Miller, Dale Chase, Robert Croucher, and Virginia Jeandrevin. Representing the administration were Superintendent Dr. Robert Fenn, Unit Principal Mr. Robert Dague, and Principal Mr. Augie Rios. The Joint Vocational School Representative was Mr. Alan Penn.

After platform guests were introduced Mr. Rios presented the first student speaker Jim Smolko whose speech entitled "Beware of Life" was well received by the audience. Next Valedictorian Jennifer Chidsey spoke on "Reflections" and gave a short recap of the previous four years and what those memories will mean to the future.

Mr. Rios then certified to the Board that the members of the Class of '84 were qualified to receive their diplomas. As Mr. Rios read each person's name, he or she stepped forward to be presented with a diploma and a handshake from Mr. Kemp. As each person crossed the stage, what was only a short walk seemed to last an eternity. John Bailey commented, "I felt like I was in a tunnel and everything was in slow motion." Others were nervous about making sure they put out the correct hand when they had to shake hands and accept the diploma at the same time. Some seniors crossed the stage in silence while others were greeted with shouts from the crowd from family or friends who chose that moment to shout their approval.

Individual hurrahs turned to a collective roar when graduates were instructed to move the tassels on their caps from the right to the left side.

Mr. Rios took a few moments to praise the Class of '84. He said in part, "After being with this class for four years, I know their talents in athletics, drama, and academics will be missed. I am proud to be leaving at the same time as such a fine class."

After Mr. Rios completed his remarks, everyone rose to sing the alma mater, followed by Concert Choir singing "The Lord Bless You and Keep You." Following a benediction by Leigh-Ann Lethco, the graduates marched out and the ceremony which had started only sixty minutes before was over.

Being ranked #1 in the junior class gave Lisa Argiry the privilege of leading the seniors into the ceremony. (G)

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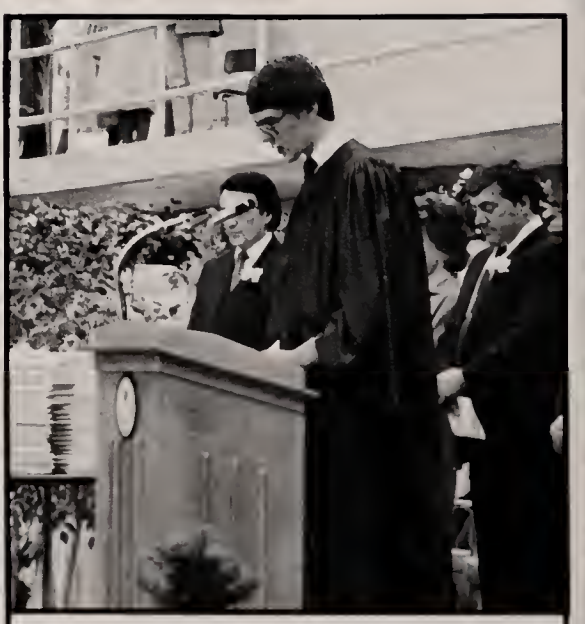
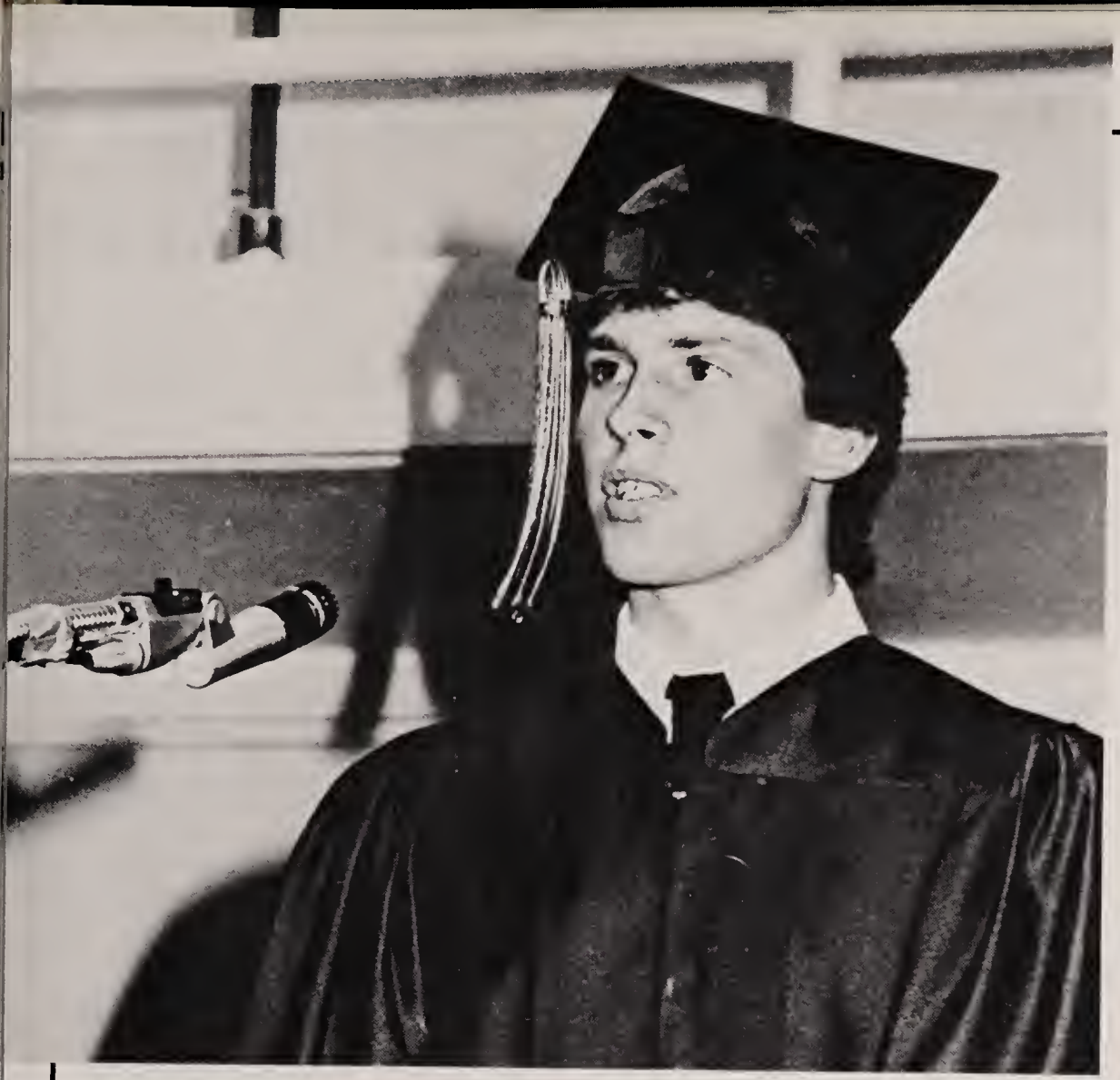


Senior John Meier gave the invocation.



Pausing in the middle of his speech entitled "Beware of Life", Jim Smolko discovered that the show must go on even if a page of the script is missing. (A)

Monica Miller accepts her diploma from Board President Edward Kemp while Mr. Rios reads the name of the next graduate. (G)

Middle — The Board of Education and Mr. Rios wait for the graduates to file into the gym. The greenery surrounding the speaker's platform was donated by area greenhouses. (G)

Above — Valedictorian Jennifer Chidsey recalled the events of the past four years in a speech entitled "Reflections."

Left-Director Mark Hutsko leads the Concert Choir in the number "Silver Wings." (G)

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National Merit Finalist Scott Krutsch wears a gold tassle indicating his position among the top 10% of the class. (G)

Jeff Sublett shakes the hand of Edward Kemp, president of the Board of Education, as he receives his diploma. (A)

Two Retire

Retiring after 35 years in education, Unit Principal Robert Dague spent his entire career at Medina as a teacher/administrator. He is admired for his extraordinary ability to coordinate flawlessly run school events such as self-scheduling and graduation. In his letter of retirement, Mr. Dague said, "My life has revolved around Medina schools. I shall miss the association with the staff and students next fall." Also retiring is Special Education teacher Helen Streett. She leaves with a special feeling for her students. "They were not problem children," she said, "They were always so appreciative of whatever we did. It was lots of fun to work with such good kids."

Trisha Valentine (left) awaits her row's march to receive their diplomas. (Above) Valerie Phillips crosses the stage as Pete Effinger approaches a handshake and his diploma. (A)

(Above right) Dana Smith, Chris Rollings and Marybeth Daubner relax and chat while waiting for the moment they would receive their diplomas.
(Above) Dina Rutti, Carol Czajka, and Lynn Piskach give student speaker Jim Smolko their attention as he spoke of life's many obstacles. (A)

"Kristina Ann Leister, Colin Christopher Grimm" The seniors, one by one, heard their names announced, shook a hand and then received their diploma — from student to alumni all in a few short minutes. (A)

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Walking around Medina's Courthouse Square one can take in many Victorian style sights. Perhaps the most eyecatching structure standing in the center of the square is the Gazebo (1).

Medina's square is also the sight of many banks. Pictured here is the Ameritrust Bank which is located in the old Savings Deposit Bank Building (3).

Many beautiful churches are also located in Medina. On the Northeast side of the square stands the United Church of Christ Congregational (4). Its neighbor, the Old Courthouse was constructed in 1840 and is now a historical landmark (5).

The Community Design Committee has helped to restore and beautify many buildings. One of the pioneers in this restoration was the firehouse. Now bright red, this structure once displayed a drab white exterior (large photo). Also benefitting from revisions was the Revco building (6).

Standing guard over all of this splendor is the World War I cannon that is located in the park (2).

Community Spotlights: Thanking Those Who Care

People who live in Medina have a strong sense of community. They show dedication and a willingness to volunteer to help make this town a nice place to live and a good place to grow up. In particular a number of citizens deserve to be recognized for the work they have done for the students of Medina. Each year the ***Medinian*** selects a new group to mention and in the following pages you will find stories about Mr. Fred Greenwood, Mr. Alan Parkhurst, Mr. John Wilson, Mr. Jeff Eble, and on this page Miss Gail Gamble.

Miss Gail Gamble and Mr. Doug Walker

As the director of the Alcohol and Drug Dependency Services of Medina County (ADDS), Gail Gamble works with schools as a consultant to develop support groups for recovering students. With an educational background in family development, Gail co-facilitates such a support group in Medina which began in 1981. Gail consults the whole staff at Medina, and from this a CORE team was established consisting of Mr. Doug Walker, Mrs. Linda Kafides, Mr. John Berger, and Mr. Rich Clevidence. Gail commented, "It has been personally satisfying to watch the growth in the development of the program. It also is encouraging to see that the schools are treating chemical dependency as an illness instead of a problem that requires harsh disciplinary action."

As a graduate from Medina Senior High, she feels that the Medina schools have progressed in a short period of time. She found it a little awkward at first to have to train Mr. Walker, a former teacher of hers, in a field in which she was a specialist, but she said it was enjoyable. When asked if there was anything in particular which helped her to choose this career she said, "I had a friend in high school who drank and smoked and he went to Vietnam and was hooked. I think the frustration of not knowing how to help him initiated my interest." ADDS is funded by Federal, state, and local funds and provides group, direct, and marriage therapy, along with prevention education. Gail Gamble's work is deserving of deep appreciation by all whom she comes in contact with along with the community as a whole.

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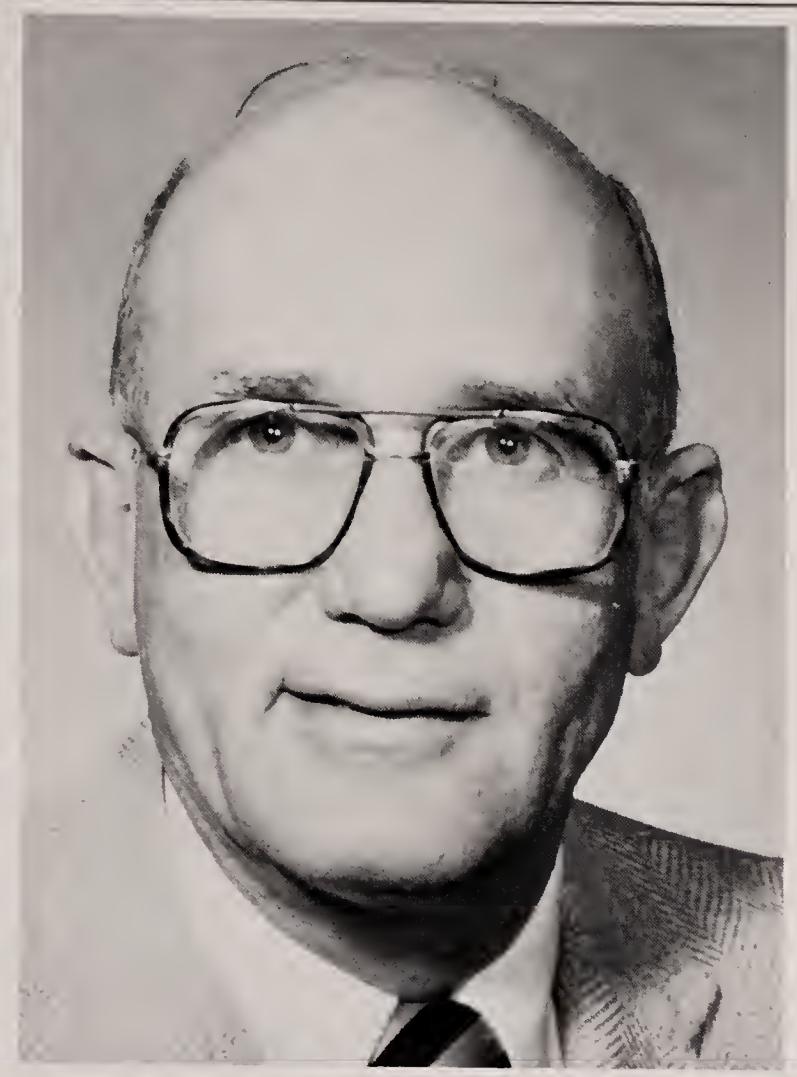

Mr. Fred Greenwood

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

A Medina resident since 1930, former mayor of Medina and present Chairman of the Board of Lance and Company, Mr. Fred Greenwood has proven to be an active member in our community and for our school.

Mr. Greenwood's active nature led him to collaborate with former Medina High School principal Jim Lockridge, Senior Vice President of Old Phoenix Bank Robert Rieggar, and Vice president of Medina Auto Parts Leonard Morse to begin a Medina chapter of the national organization of Dollars For Scholars in 1966. Mr. Greenwood has held the position of president ever since. They felt there was a need for a scholarship program to seek not the top scholars, but the average student who has strong motivation. Mr. Greenwood said, "My most cherished award I have ever received was my honorary varsity "M" letter in 1974 for my involvement in Dollars For Scholars." It has been a rewarding experience for Mr. Greenwood and a successful program for Medina Senior High School.

Speaking with a high regard for our school, Mr. Greenwood said, "I think we're very fortunate to have a school system of the calibar such as Medina's, both teachers and students. I believe that students who have graduated from Medina as a whole are very successful in businesses today, both inside and outside the community of Medina."

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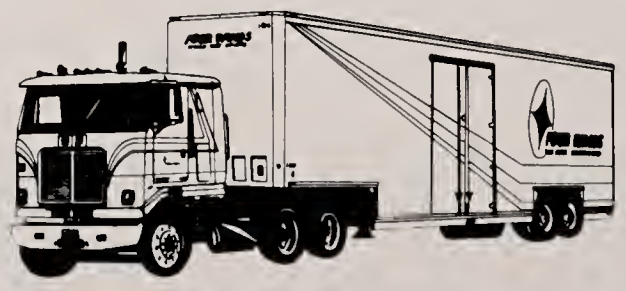

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Mr. Alan Parkhurst, owner of the Flower Gallery, has been a Medina supporter for many years. A 1972 graduate of Medina, Mr. Parkhurst has continued his association with the school through his donations.

During his high school years, he was very involved with the band. He was president of both symphonic and marching bands.

In 1973 Mr. Parkhurst opened his flower shop, The Flower Gallery, a year after he graduated from high school. Ever since then he has been donating corsages to the Beeliners each fall. Mr. Parkhurst said, "Marching band was one of my most exciting experiences and I thought that presenting flowers to the Beeliners was a way to keep the excitement of marching band in my life."

Mr. Parkhurst belongs to the American Institute of Floral Designers, the A.I.F.D. and is very active in the professional trade organization in his field of business. He often participates in floral design shows as a floral commentator, and has appeared on the Morning Exchange on channel 5.

Many student organizations go to Mr. Parkhurst for flowers. The band gets their flowers from him for band parents night. He also donates wire to both the junior and senior classes for float and has donated flowers for the plays. Miss Linda Ocepek, Medinian advisor remembers. "One time for "Anything Goes" I was in charge of props and I forgot to order nosegays for the bridesmaids. So I called Mr. Parkhurst on the morning of dress rehearsal and by curtain time that evening he had prepared five silk flower nosegays plus a gorgeous bouquet for the bride. He didn't even charge us." This is just one example of how Mr. Parkhurst has contributed to Medina and why he deserves to be recognized.

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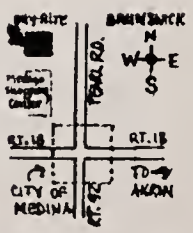

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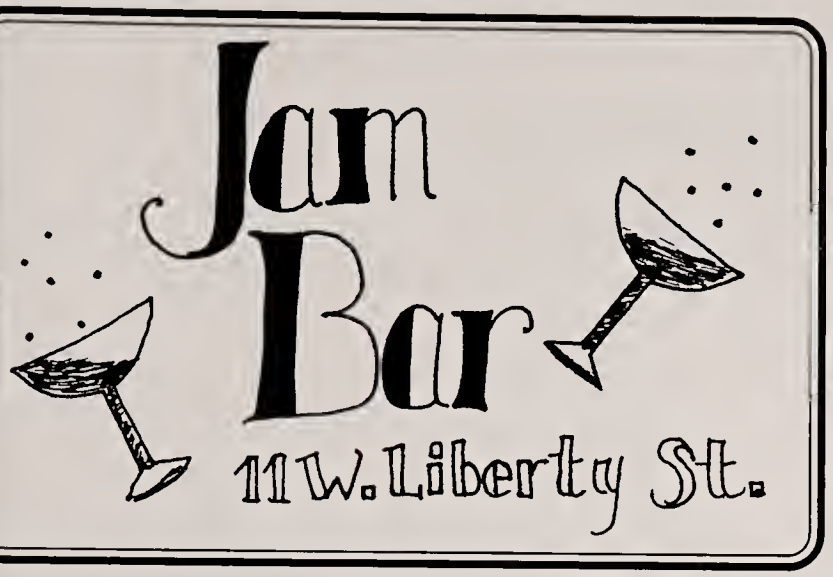

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Before any of Mr. Wilson's children were born, you could find him coaching little league and football. He coached for 13 years and was manager for 4 years.

When asked why he does so much for the school, Mr. Wilson replied, "If the time I spend doing something for the boys and the school, keeps one boy off the streets, my time will be paid for."

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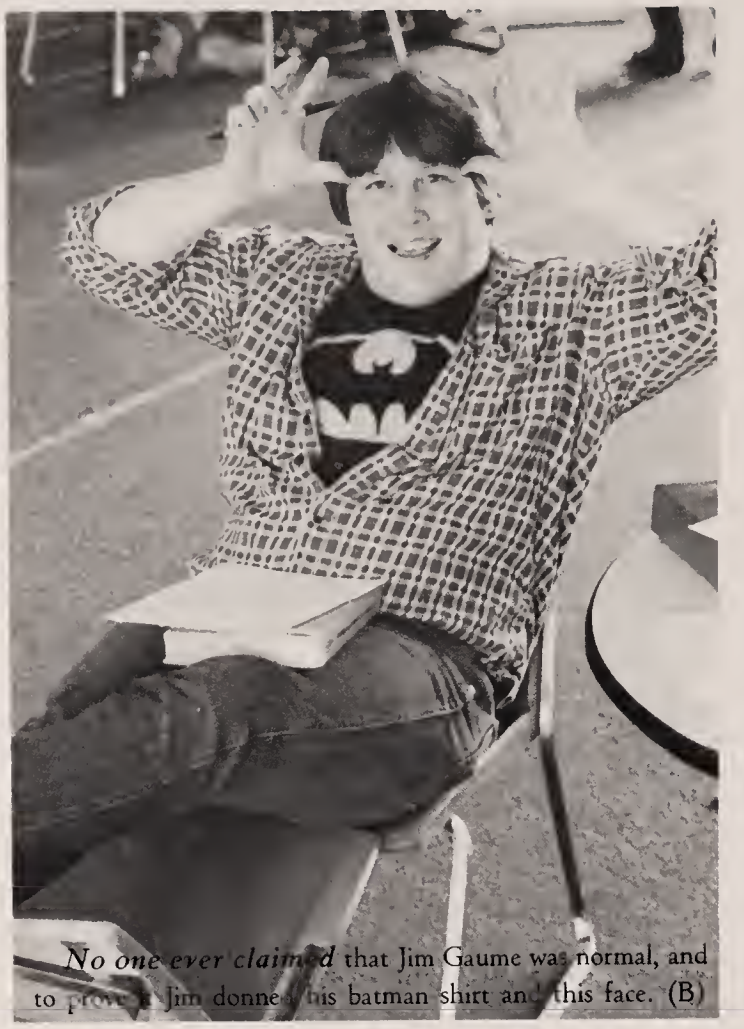

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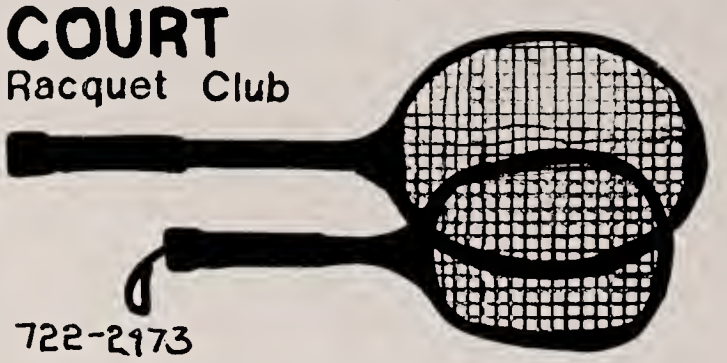

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Mr. Eble was a 1972 graduate of Medina. After high school he attended Bowling Green State University and then Akron University. While still attending college, he worked as a part time printer here at MHS. In 1979 Mr. Eble graduated from college and was appointed Administrative Assistant as an aide to the superintendent of schools.

Now Mr. Eble has moved up to the position of Business Manager of the Medina City School. As Business Manager he makes sure all of the buildings and grounds are kept in order, and that all the transportation vehicles are in good working condition. He is also in charge of the cafeterias. According to Superintendent Robert Fenn, "The Medina City Schools are very fortunate to have a Business Manager with Jeff's skills and dedication."

Besides being an administrator in the school system, Mr. Eble is a friend to all who meet him. He often travels with the marching band and likes to practice one of his favorite hobbies — photography. "The yearbook is very grateful to Jeff for all of the great pictures he has taken for us of such events as Homecoming, prom, banquet, and drama productions," said ***Medinian*** adviser Linda Ocepek.

Mr. Eble also helps out with the junior class. The junior year is one filled with many activities, and you guessed it, Mr. Eble can be found at almost every one of them. He even helps out the seniors during commencement rehearsal.

Below are just a few of the graduating seniors who would like to say thank you to one of the most special persons in the Medina City Schools, Mr. Jeff Eble.

To The Seniors

Thank you for sharing with us . . . for sharing the downs and ups, the trials and successes, the occasional tears, and the bright warm smiles. Knowing you made us better people and our lives richer.

Thank you for the precious memories . . . may sunshine and happiness fill all the days of your lives.

Jeff Eble

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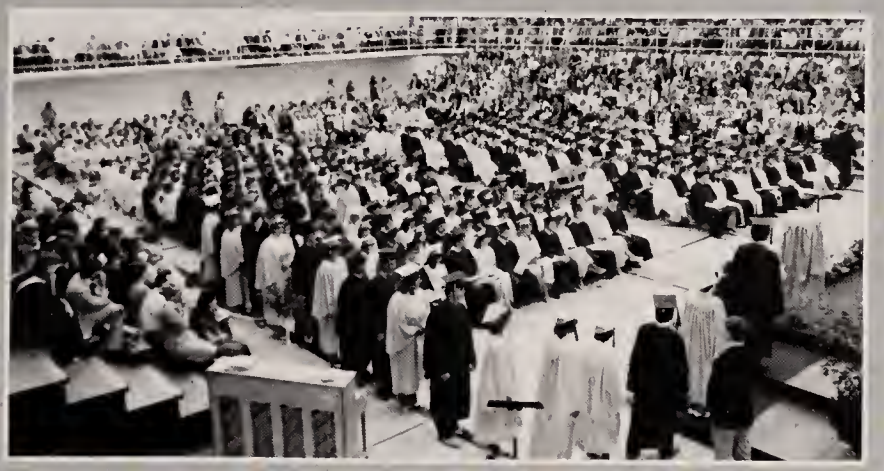

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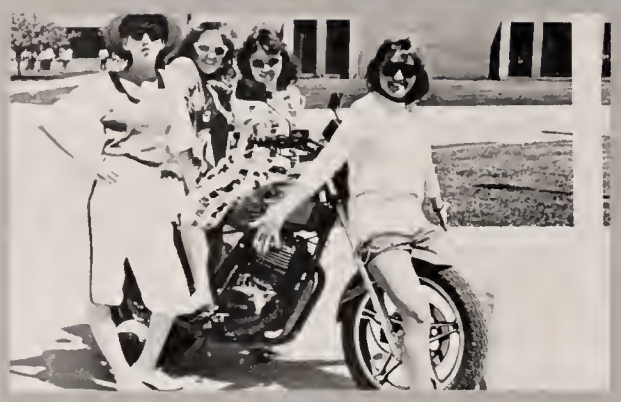

One Final Thought . . .

The Future Is Now. We've been saying that throughout this book and we've only just realized the full impact of the statement. Although we have completed a major goal of our senior year — finishing this yearbook — the events that make up our lives (and yours) won't be complete with the end of this year. Whatever ways you continue your lives we hope your memories can be relived and enhanced with this book. Here it is — from us to you — the 1984 ***Medinian.*** We hope you enjoy it and always remember . . . the future is Now.

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Finally for the 1984 ***Medinian*** staff, our goal of a finished book is complete. For us the future we worried about and worked toward is now. We literally tried to cover everything. Our photographers attended games, plays, concerts and meetings. Staff members interviewed hundreds of students in order to get quotes and accurate, specific information about every activity and every person pictured. We will be your memory whether you want to recall fun times with friends (1) or that first football game in the fall (2). Maybe we'll help you remember the sports record you broke (3) or the moment you received your diploma (4). Without our photographic reminders, waiting for class to begin in journalism (5) or for the director's cue in band (6) might have slipped your mind. The twinkle in your eye (7) may dim in time but this collection of memories will be there to remind you of your first stab at programming (8) or your early attempts at civil disobedience (9). Wherever your future takes you, bring this book along and remember.

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The Future Is Now

Principal Augie Rios has been waiting for seventeen years to "graduate" from high school and begin his future as something other than an administrator. Mr. Rios' plans include moving to Florida and relaxing.